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Kowloon Dep.	6.40	8.05	8.30	9.05	9.35	10.00	10.30	11.00	11.30	12.00	12.30	1.00	1.30	2.00	2.30	3.00	3.30	4.00	4.30	5.00	5.30	6.00
Yau Ma Tei Dep.	6.45	8.10	8.35	9.10	9.40	10.10	10.40	11.10	11.40	12.10	12.40	1.10	1.40	2.10	2.40	3.10	3.40	4.10	4.40	5.10	5.40	6.10
Shatin Dep.	7.01	8.26	8.51	9.26	9.56	10.26	10.56	11.26	11.56	12.26	12.56	1.26	1.56	2.26	2.56	3.26	3.56	4.26	4.56	5.26	5.56	6.26
Tai Po Dep.	7.15	8.40	9.05	9.40	10.10	10.40	11.10	11.40	12.10	12.40	1.10	1.40	2.10	2.40	3.10	3.40	4.10	4.40	5.10	5.40	6.10	6.40
Market Dep.	7.20	8.45	9.10	9.45	10.15	10.45	11.15	11.45	12.15	12.45	1.15	1.45	2.15	2.45	3.15	3.45	4.15	4.45	5.15	5.45	6.15	6.45
Ma On Shan Dep.	7.30	8.55	9.20	9.55	10.25	10.55	11.25	11.55	12.25	12.55	1.25	1.55	2.25	2.55	3.25	3.55	4.25	4.55	5.25	5.55	6.25	6.55
Shing Mun Dep.	7.35	9.00	9.25	10.00	10.30	11.00	11.30	12.00	12.30	1.00	1.30	2.00	2.30	3.00	3.30	4.00	4.30	5.00	5.30	6.00	6.30	7.00
Shun Chai Dep.	7.41	9.06	9.31	10.06	10.36	11.06	11.36	12.06	12.36	1.06	1.36	2.06	2.36	3.06	3.36	4.06	4.36	5.06	5.36	6.06	6.36	7.06
Canton Arr.	12.05	1.30	1.55	2.30	3.00	3.30	4.00	4.30	5.00	5.30	6.00	6.30	7.00	7.30	8.00	8.30	9.00	9.30	10.00	10.30	11.00	11.30

DOWN TRAINS

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Canton Dep.	6.30	7.55	8.20	8.55	9.25	9.55	10.25	10.55	11.25	11.55	12.25	12.55	1.25	1.55	2.25	2.55	3.25	3.55	4.25	4.55	5.25	5.55
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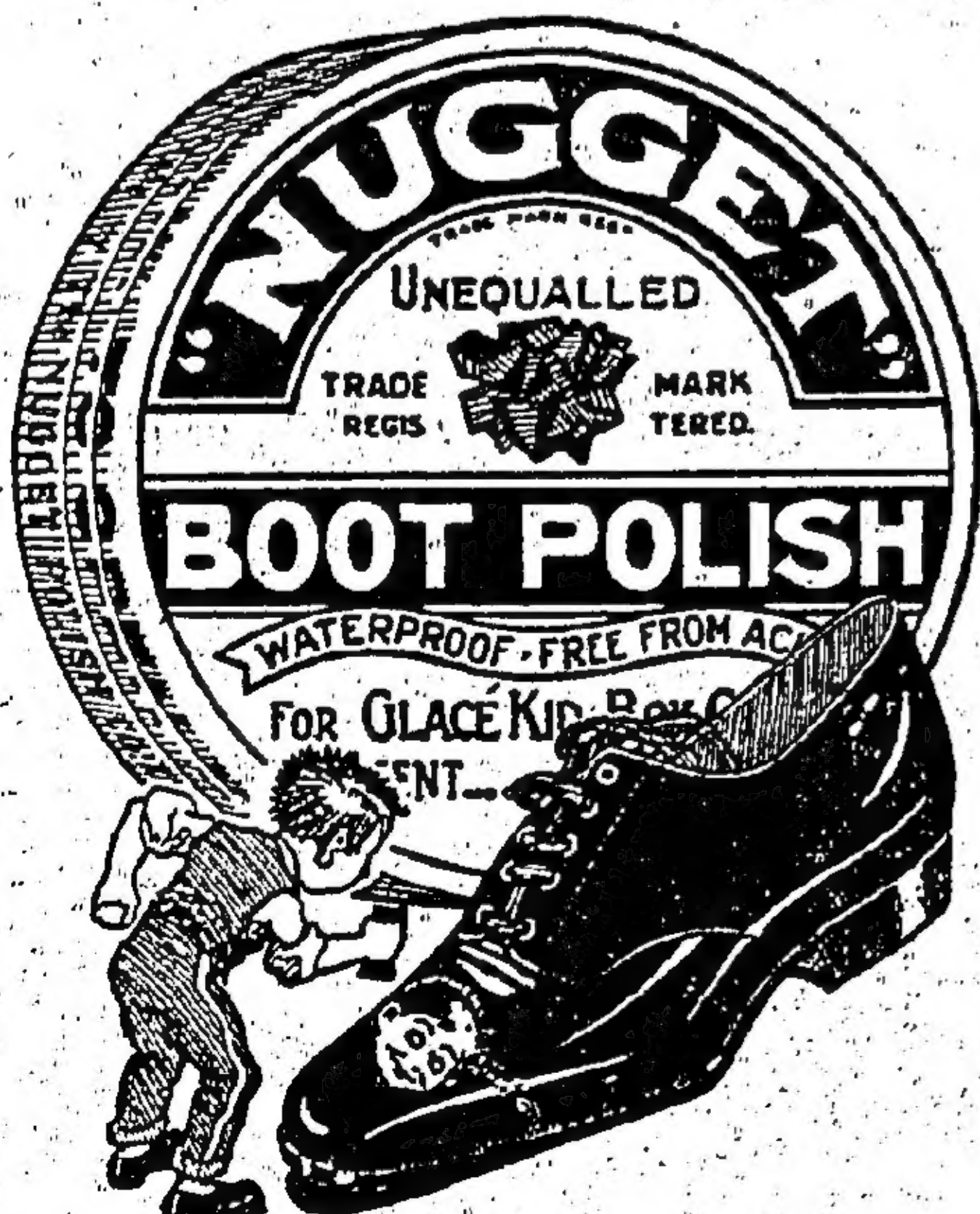
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HOW RUSSIA IS GOING TO THE POLL.

PEASANTS' SAVINGS TO ASSIST THE SOVIET.

Moscow, March 2nd (U.P.).—The world's longest "election day" is still under way here. Every town and village follows its own schedule in voting, so that the re-elections of Soviets which began in December will not be concluded until late in March. Apart from the loyalty of the elected Soviet delegates, the leaders of the new Russia are interested chiefly in two aspects of the process.

Firstly, they watch closely the number of those entitled to vote who actually participate in the elections. It is the professed aim of the Bolshevik regime to draw as many as possible into the business of "socialist construction," and the extent to which workers and peasants show up at the general election meetings is a good index of popular interest. Secondly, they want to know how many of the elected delegates are women. A larger proportion of women with every new choice of Soviet is regarded as necessary to the emancipation of the female half of the population.

How the Peasants Follwed. Preliminary figures on re-election results points to considerable progress in both respects. Although later results may change their whole complexion, these figures are nevertheless of interest.

Peasant villages which had already elected their Soviets by the middle of February had a total of 14,782,000 persons entitled to vote; 8,659,000 of them, or 58.7 per cent, actually voted, as compared with an average of only 47.5 per cent. in all villages in 1927. Women constitute 19.4 per cent. of the newly-chosen Soviet delegates in those villages; two years ago the women represented 11.6 per cent. of the Soviet membership.

The elections in towns and cities had scarcely begun by mid-February. About 537,000 had voted, from a total of 801,000 entitled to do so in the places affected—which means that 67 per cent. of the enfranchised urban population in these places voted, as against 53 per cent. in 1927. The women delegates chosen by the middle of February were slightly more than 25 per cent. of the total, whereas two years ago their number was below 20 per cent.

"Error" as Election Tool. Although there is only one legal party, the Communist Party, it must not be supposed that the election campaign is tame. Just the contrary is true. In the peasant villages particularly it is proceeding with a maximum of excitement, reaching tragic climaxes in many cases in murders.

It must be remembered that the delegates to Soviets are not all Communists—there really are not enough Communists to go round. In the local Soviet Communists are a small fraction of the total—only 14 per cent. of those elected so far in the villages are of the ruling party. The richer peasants and their supporters, even if they are themselves deprived of a vote, manoeuvre for the election of their friends. Frequently they succeed.

Terror is evoked often enough as an election tool. Members of the election boards, active pro-Soviet peasants, teachers, etc., are most prominent among the victims. The Government is meeting the situation with stringent punishment—the death sentence, reserved for "counter-revolutionists," being used more and more every day.

From Stocking to Bank. A news item reports a total of 13 death sentences in widely-separated parts of the Union, as follows:—

Erivan district: Soviet Armenia, the village Dashkend, 5 death sentences for the murder of a poor peasant.

Leningrad province, Luga district, one sentenced to die for murder of an active peasant, two other given prison terms.

Tula district, three sentenced to death for murder of an active peasant, two others to prison for 10 years.

Kiev province, village Krumli, one sentenced to death for the murder of the president of the committee of poor peasants.

Ashkhabad, in Middle Asia, three "Boys" (former landlords) sentenced to death for killing a member of the election board.

This "score" is not exceptional. Reports of murders and death sentences appear so often that they are no longer, strictly speaking, "news." However, it is unnecessary to exaggerate their importance.

The Russian villages: number tens of thousands. In the vast majority the elections are proceeding peacefully.

Out of the stocking—into the bank. Such is the burden of an immense propaganda being spread in Russia now to induce people to put their savings into the hands of the Government banks.

There are about 4,000,000 individual savings accounts in Soviet banks, for a total of some 375,000,000 rubles—less than 100 rubles for each of the accounts. Little more than 10 per cent. of the depositors are peasants, who have never learned to trust the banks. They do not, in fact, trust money at all, preferring to hold their wealth in the form of grain. But when they do have excess cash, they still think a discreet hold in the back yard or a hiding place under the ceiling rafters safer than a bank.

The Soviet Government needs these savings, sorely to make budget ends meet, and is exhorting the population to go to the banks. Of course, a substantial portion of spare money is absorbed through internal loans. More than 700,000,000 rubles' worth were absorbed in the past fiscal year, largely in the industrial cities.

LONDON LINK WITH SOLOMON.

PUPIL WHO BEGINS LESSONS AT DAWN.

FROM ABYSSINIA.

A sixteen-year-old descendant of the Jewish retinue which King Solomon assigned to the Queen of Sheba, on her return to her own country is at school in Hampstead, absorbing English culture. His name is Levi Makonnen, and he comes from Gondar, in Abyssinia. It is his ambition, and that of Mr. Levine, the proprietor of the school, that he should return to Abyssinia as a teacher and missionary, wise both in the ways of the West and the East.

He belongs to a race, mainly nomadic and pastoral, which Abyssinians call the Falashas, meaning "foreigners." It is a nation within a nation, and was a generation ago in a comparatively servile position.

The Abyssinians are primitive Christians. The Falashas are unmistakably Jews. They, like orthodox Jews, wear the Four Cornered Garment—the Tsaitich—an oblong piece of cloth which, with an opening for the head, falls over chest and back.

Jewish Prayers. They use Jewish prayers. They eat only the meats, killed in Jewish fashion, which Jews may eat. These peculiarities drew to them the attention of explorers. Their origin was confirmed.

Levi Makonnen's father is a teacher. His uncle is a resident director of a school subsidised by American Jews, in Addis-Abeba, the capital of Abyssinia.

He determined to join the school, and set out from Gondar to do so. He walked barefoot, and the journey took him two months. The head of the school, Dr. Faltlowitch, recommended him to Mr. Levine, and so he reached London, with his ambition coming true.

When he arrived he could speak only Abyssinian, and the medium between him and Mr. Levine was a few words of Hebrew which he had from his religious training. Now he speaks English, and is forging ahead with mathematics.

"I came to learn," said Levi Makonnen, and he usually begins his studies of his own accord at dawn.

His face is purely Semitic in type, with a thin, high-bridged nose. He is reserved in manner, and shrinks from shaking hands with strangers: he bows low. Pride of race and the romance of Solomon's glory are in his bones. Did not his ancestors accompany Malkah (Queen) Sheba out of Israel?

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THE OUTLOOK FOR A NOVEL HOLIDAY. 1929.

AMERICAN VIEWS ON PUBLIC GOODWILL.

Commenting on the motor outlook for 1929, Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., President of the General Corporation, says:—

"The beginning of each year appears to me to be an opportune time for us to review the year just closing, and in that way obtain a better perspective of what our hopes and ambitions should be for the new year. The Annual Automobile Show, coming as it does at this time of the year, affords an excellent opportunity to do this from the standpoint of the automotive industry.

Public Service.

"To my mind in 1928 the industry has carried still further forward the principle which has contributed so much to its marvelous achievements. It has served the public better through the development of more outstanding values than ever before. All this has been made possible through increased engineering knowledge or a better understanding of the fundamentals, capitalized by more effective manufacturing and more intensive merchandising. Added attractiveness in appearance or a greater appreciation of the artistic side has probably been the outstanding development of the year from the standpoint of the industry as a whole. With it, however, the technical or mechanical side has in no sense been overlooked. There has been a very general advance forward, particularly in the relation of power to weight or increased performance and acceleration made desirable by road congestion and higher speeds, the latter particularly in the lower price models.

Still Better Values.

"When one looks at the values that are being offered at this time it hardly seems believable yet. I will venture to predict that with the spirit of progress that has prevailed from the beginning and still prevails in the industry, the end has in no sense been reached.

"Looking forward—to my mind the greatest problem that confronts the industry from within is more effective merchandising of the product. I mean by this, the building of a sounder foundation for the automotive dealer, and with this the development of good will toward the industry through more effective service. The greatest asset that any industry or business can possibly have is the good will of the public toward it and its products. To my mind, effective service or a satisfied customer will exert for us a greater influence in developing good will than millions of dollars spent in advertising. I mention this because I do not believe the industry as a whole has intensified on this most important subject to the same degree that it has on other phases of its activities.

Record Production Expected.

"Indications point to 1929 as likely to be the highest year from the standpoint of production that the industry has yet enjoyed. Our replacement demand will increase; wealth will be added to the country which will further increase our opportunities. The more intensive effort that is being put into overseas business, aided by a greater appreciation of the motor car and its use as an agent of transportation, will result in still greater possibilities in that rapidly expanding field.

"General Motors enters the new year with confidence that our dealers and we ourselves will obtain our share of this prosperity. To merit this we recognize that we must serve the public better than ever before. We shall strive to do that with the hope and belief that it will turn out to be the most prosperous year we have yet enjoyed.

"There are many problems confronting us all that are far from finished. There are many constructive things that can be done that have not even been started, and some not even thought of. A realization of those facts together with the willingness to work makes progress certain."

RECORD-BREAKING FOR A PASTIME.

Having shaken off the leg-ropes for a little while, two students of the Melbourne University—Geoff. Sinclair and Albert Peardon—decided to test for themselves the ability of a Baby Austin to "chew a lump" off the Melbourne-Perth record.

They made no special preparations and carried very little kit, but left Melbourne in the early hours of a summer morning heading for the West.

The journey from Melbourne to Perth is an adventurous one at any time, and has provided excitement for the drivers of innumerable cars who have set out to do something with one or other of the existing records. More than one car and its drivers have come to grief, and

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there are places where the wreckage of some such vehicle is the only indication that man has ever passed that way.

Motoring Across a Lake.

Even from Melbourne to Adelaide there are difficulties to be encountered, including the famous Coorong, which is a belt of salt-lakes and sand-hills at certain seasons well-nigh impassable. There is no definite track, as the sand so often shifts. In a dry season the traveller is sometimes able to drive upon the surface of the lakes proper, and this does admittedly offer opportunity for "opening her out." If the lakes happen to be even slightly damp then there is trouble in store for he who strikes them. There is some remarkable skidding to be had, and it is quite possible to sink out of sight.

Camels and Cables.

The Adelaide to Perth section of the journey is a very lonely one—a stretch of about 840 miles between Penong in South Australia, across the Nullabor Plain and the Victoria Desert to Norseman in Western Australia. It offers many opportunities of getting bushed and very little possibility of being found for at least a week. There is a telegraph line strung on steel poles between East and West and one or two desert repeating stations. The operators usually keep their eyes open for any adventurous motorist who may pass their way and send the news along, but should a car be missing it would be a day or two before it could be tracked, and another day or two before camels could be got out for the search. Camels are usually the only transport facilities available at the telegraph stations.

However, neither Geoff nor Albert seems to have considered the difficulties or dangers of the journey. They just kept going with—as they put it—"the Austin behaving beautifully." The next thing that the civilised world sees of them is when the car purrs up St. George's Terrace, Perth, and it is found that the youngsters have managed to knock 5 hours 31 minutes off the time of the previous light car record holder. The run had occupied 154 hours 39 minutes.

A Bad Skid.

It is strange that the most exciting portion of the trip actually occurred when the lads were within thirty miles of Perth. Peardon was driving with Sinclair sitting on the back, when the car skidded at a sharp bend. Sinclair was thrown out and when he recovered, found that the car had climbed a three foot bank and ploughed its way through some tree roots before regaining the roadway. No damage of any kind was done either to the men or the car.

In spite of all the possibilities of adventure which their record-breaking journey seemed to offer, the only comment which they had to make was—"the winding direction militated against attaining the high speed we would have liked." This more probably refers to the fact that on the desert stretch between Penong and Norseman they followed the trans-Continental telegraph wire, and would be winding in and out between the poles on the trail of the camel teams used by the men who "ride the wire."

NEW WILLYS-KNIGHT SIX.

MORE IMPROVEMENTS ENUMERATED.

In addition to the improvements embodied in the new Willys-Knight six mentioned in our issue, smoother, easier riding qualities are secured also by the adoption of Tryon axles (after months of highly satisfactory use on other W-O models), and Watson rubber flow stabilizers on all four wheels. In the matter of braking equipment, all models are equipped with large mechanical type four-wheel brakes, 12 inches all around, which provide a total braking area of 243.1 square inches.

The distinctive feature of "Finger-Tip Control" is found on the new Willys-Knight Six, as on all cars of the Toledo manufacturer. This consists of a single button in the centre of the steering wheel which controls all functions of starting the motor, manipulating the lights and sounding the horn. To start the motor requires an upward pull on the button, while the lights are adjusted by turning the same button from one notch to another, and the horn is sounded by a slight downward pressure on the button.

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wire wheels, each model being provided with five, the extra wheel being mounted in a well on the right forward fender and rigidly held in place by a bracket extending from the body.

The lighting system also shows marked improvement, the lamps on new models being equipped with Glo-Lite lens with adjustable focus. In fast night driving the beam is thrown for a considerable distance down the road, while in place of a dimmer the rays are merely deflected to a shorter distance, assuring the driver of ample light without danger of blinding the on-coming driver. These lights, of course, are controlled from the "Finger-Tip Control" button on the steering wheel.

Four buttons are carried on the instrument board to operate the manual heat control, the spark, throttle and choke. Conveniently grouped in the instrument panel are the speedometer, ammeter, oil gauge, gasoline gauge and heat indicator. To the right of that panel

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The windshield on closed cars is operated by a mono-control worm and wheel, and a wider angular opening assures ample interior cooling even in severely hot weather.

The interiors of all body types afford ample space for drivers and passengers, while wide openings and remote control for doors and windows make for convenience. Body construction shows a material improvement over the former practice, the central pillars being entirely of steel with wide flanges attached to roof and body sills.

The improvements we have noted here, together with refinements in many other less important parts of the line, make these cars delightful to look at, comfortable to ride in, and more convenient to drive than any predecessor we have known.

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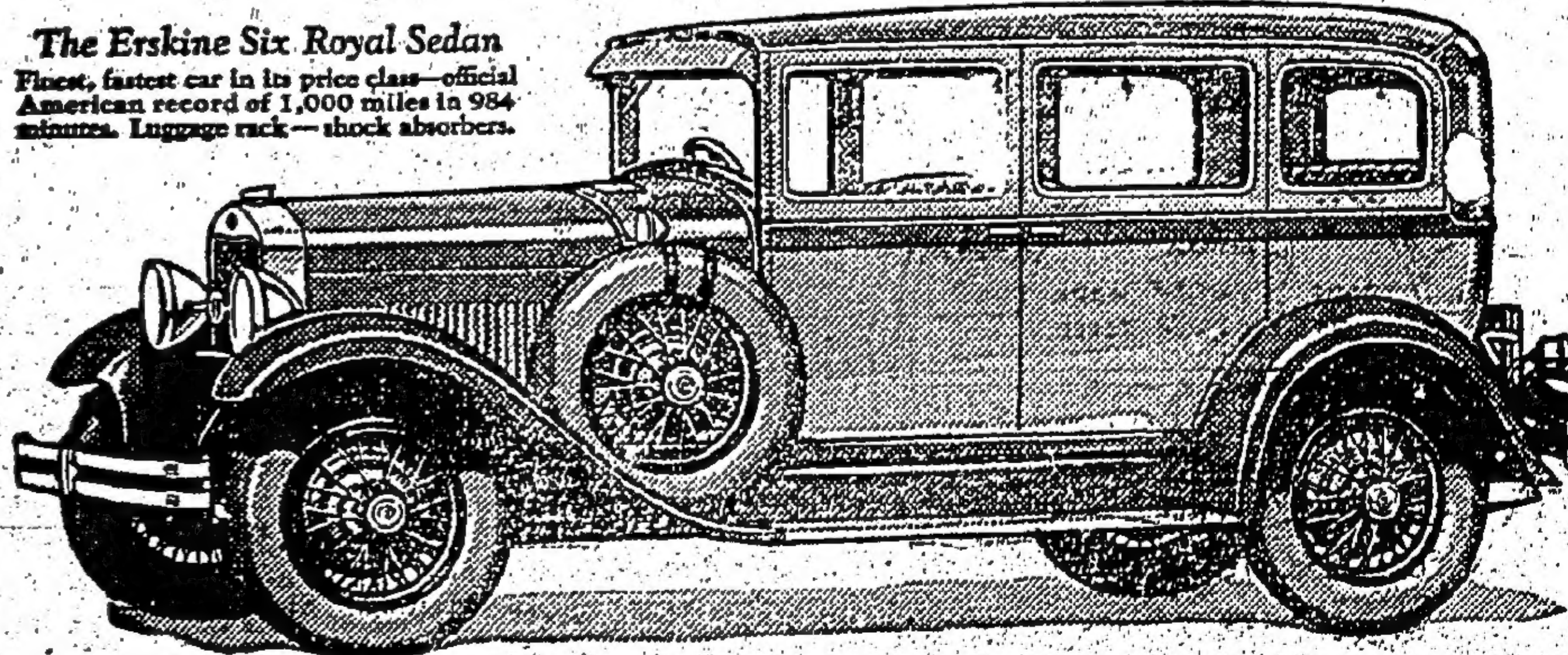
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VOLUNTEERS' RIFLE
MEETING.

ON MARCH 31st AND APRIL 1st.

The H.K. Volunteer Defence
Corps Annual Rifle Meeting will
be held on March 31st and April
1st, at Stonecutters', under the
usual conditions.

The approximate times of firing
are as follows:—

Sunday, March 31st, 1929.
9.00 a.m. Blake Shield.
9.00 a.m. Francis Cup.
2.00 p.m. Attack Competition.
3.30 p.m. Reserve Challenge Cup.
3.45 p.m. Jar Competition.

Monday, April 1st, 1929.
9.00 a.m. Corps Championship.
9.00 a.m. Tyro Competition.
11 a.m. Musketry Competition.
Revolver Competition, Corps and
all Comers, will be fired both days,
8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on March 31st,
1929, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April
1st, 1929.

TODAY'S WIRELESS
PROGRAMME.

BROADCAST BY Z.B.W. ON
350 METRES.

1.48 p.m.—Weather report.
5.30 to 6.30 p.m.—Programme of
Chinese music. (Victor records
supplied by Messrs. Music World
Co.)
7.43 p.m.—Evening weather re-
port.
8 p.m.—Evening programme
(Victor records supplied by Messrs.
S. Moutrie & Co.)
10.10 p.m.—News bulletin.
10.20 p.m.—Close down.

KOWLOON'S FUTURE.

A DEFENCE OF THE RAIL-
WAY COMPANY.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR.—Since you have taken up
the cudgels on behalf of the Kow-
loon Residents' Association in their
attack on the railway, and appar-
ently, endorse their President's
rather wild statements that the full
development of the district is being
blocked by the selfish attitude of
the railway company, which has ap-
propriated one-half of the water-
front on the toe of the Peninsula;
also that the railway has over one
and a half million square feet of
land lying idle, and practically
prohibits access to the most south-
ern part of the waterfront; and
finally, that the railway has piers
about three times as extensive as
the public piers which are hardly
used at all, may I suggest that there
may be a viewpoint totally opposed
to that sketched above, which puts
the attitude adopted by the railway
in a totally different light.

There was a controversy last year
on this same subject, the details of
which I had forgotten until the
President made a remark this year
about parish pump politics. This
reminds me that the Kowloon Res-
idents' Association, in this con-
troversy had been accused of making
the condition of their parish pump
the centre of all their activities—a
very accurate and fair statement,
one might surmise; and one that
evidently got home.

This year's President, "traded"
against the railway largely on the
ground apparently that they have
done all the wicked things enumer-
ated above, largely on the assumption
that one day there may be through
trains between Kowloon and Paris—
why not London?

To those not particularly in-
terested in parish pump politics,
this attack on the railway appears
particularly futile—and for this
reason the railway stands out as
one of the very few Government
Departments that appears to have
planned with foresight and vision
and to have worked to that plan.
Conditions in South China have
hitherto prevented its reaping the
benefit of its foresight, but it now
really appears as if it will very soon
be in the happy position of justifying
its position as a mere common-
carrier, without having to wait for
the opening of the Kowloon-Charing
Cross through express—which, with
all due respect to the vivid imagina-
tion of the President of the Kow-
loon Residents' Association, prob-
ably occurred to the more prac-
tical and prosaic mind of the
genius who designed this railway
and put its terminus in the most
logical and natural place that could
be chosen.

May I enumerate a few of the
reasons that lead to this conclusion?
The Waichow-Chung-muk-tou motor
road is now open, tapping a rich
agricultural district, and that the
traffic from there is evidently worth
while is shown from the fact that
both express, up and down, stop
regularly. A connection is planned,
between Swatow and Sheklung Sta-
tion, and I believe I am right in
saying that a survey is actually
being undertaken. This again will
tap agricultural and mineral dis-
tricts, bringing more traffic to the
railway.

These are the two local feeders
actually in hand and likely to in-
crease traffic when the drought
breaks and prosperity returns to
Eastern Kwangtung.

Now turn to the North. It is
common knowledge—or should be at
least amongst those who profess to
lead public opinion and direct the
straying feet of Government Depart-
ments—that both Nanking and Can-
ton are extremely anxious to join
up the uncompleted part of the
Canton-Hankow Railway, and that
a survey is now in progress.

Finally there is the small connect-
ing link between Wongshe and Tai-
sha-tau Termini, so eloquently ad-
vocated by H.E. the Governor,
publicly in Canton, and doubtless,
privately elsewhere. Even without
the completion of the Canton-
Hankow Railway, this link will
bring much additional traffic to the
Canton-Kowloon Railway.

Now it is a fair question to put
to the Kowloon Residents' Asso-
ciation, and other chronic grouches
at the railway, would it be reason-
able for the railway, in view of the
above facts known to all the world,
and many others known only to
themselves, to give up their spare
land, acquired for the very purpose
of enabling the railway to deal with
the problems caused by the new set
of conditions at least visible on the
horizon at the present time?

I think most people who were
minus bees and bonnets, and who
were not hopelessly enamoured with
the beauties of the parish pump,
would agree with the railway's at-
titude in sticking to what they have
—and incidentally turning an honest,
if a temporary, penny out of their
million and a half idle square feet.

In conclusion, it seems rather a
remarkable fact that the people at
home evidently still have confidence
in the future of the railway—as a
railway, presumably. There appears
(Continued on next column).

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Street.

to be an appreciable demand for
their bonds, which brought about a
modest rise of two points in mail
week. Evidently Reuter omitted to cable
home the President of the Kowloon
Residents' Association's ruthless de-
mand that the railway should be
pushed off the toe of the Peninsula,
as a mere useless bunion; and its
vacant habitation handed over to
the Kowloon Residents' Association,
who after an orgy of more or less
scientific town-planning—which in-
cidentally would probably disrupt
the Kowloon Residents' Association
Committee into its 18 component
parts, each part with the perfect
plan—would hand over the remnants
to anybody who wanted them for a
parking place for the motor vehicles
and aeroplanes envisaged as invad-
ing Kowloon in the not too distant
future.

Needless to say, I am in no way
connected with the railway com-
pany, but write this as a mere on-
looker, who admires the way in
which the railway having long ago,
completed a thoroughly sound job,
now sits back contemptuous of the
grousers of those who know
nothing of its specialised job, and
just hangs on to the three extension
piers and million and a half idle
square feet it had to build and ac-
quire when land and labour were
cheap.

Incidentally, where would some of
the Kowloon residents have been
but for the use of these extensive
railway piers, while the Public
Works Department was occupied for
nearly a year patching up the only
pier in Kowloon not built and oc-
cupied by the railway?—Yours, etc.,
ONLOOKER.

RATIONALISM AND THE
CHRISTIAN FAITH.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—"J." is perfectly at liberty
to re-iterate "nobody knows what
Christ said," etc. I repeat we have
four records by Christ's own dis-
ciples and the friends of those
disciples. The traditional dates and
authorship of those records have
been endorsed by analytical
criticism and it brings them as
close to Christ as we are to Mr.
Gladstone. Who were the geniuses
who "made up" the Sermon on
the Mount, the Parables and the
character of Christ? Forgers or
fools? The thing is ridiculous.
No genius is made by anyone but
himself, and Christ is described by
H. G. Wells as the greatest man in
history. If the Gospels were faked
up, when and by whom? J. can
hold to his old fashioned views
which the Higher Criticism has
abandoned.

I suggested that "J." should cite
any words of Christ that are un-
reasonable, contradictory or hope-
lessly impracticable. He replies,
with delightful relevancy, that there
are 57 different Christian sects.

I thought the fact would rise at
the mention of Cromwell. So
Cromwell is an "unctuous hypo-
crite." It is the view of old ladies
who perform odd rites in Whitehall
on January 30th! Let "J." read
any modern account of Cromwell's
life and work. Cromwell who
abolished the religious test in his
army and allowed troopers to
preach; who was thanked by
Cardinal Mazarin for treating
Roman Catholics with more toleration
than any other Protestant
State!

As for "Satire's" letter, readers
are better judges of its tone than
the writer. Perhaps he will tell us
more about Campaign!

If the Christians of Hong Kong
were an obscure little community,
like the Rationalists, it would be
fair to say of Christ's teaching "it
makes no progress, it is not true."
The world position of Christianity
today is a witness to the truth of
its Founder's claim.—Yours, etc.,
R.B.

Hong Kong, March 12th.

"TEA FOR THREE."

COMEDY AT THE QUEEN'S.

NON-ALCOHOLIC CHAMPAGNE.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

"Tea For Three," a comedy of
a matrimonial triangle, now shew-
ing at the Queen's, suffers because
the action is so slow in the first
half. It is a light-hearted story
and would, I believe, be very amu-
sing, if it were told quickly and
acted with plenty of verve. It is
intended to be as light as the
bubbles in a glass of champagne,
but, unfortunately, it is "Pussy-
foot" champagne. Lew Cody,
Aileen Pringle, and Owen Moore,
are the three, respectively husband,
wife, and the husband's best friend,
who does not see why he should be
benefit of the best man's privilege
of kissing the bride after leaving
the vestry.

After a series of little misadven-
tures the two men cut cards for the lady,
the loser undertaking to commit
suicide within twenty-four hours.
The loser is the lover and he plays
on the emotions of the husband,
who is really fond of him, so that
he nearly drives him crazy before
the twenty-four hours are up. In
the end you see them seated to-
gether on a sofa and "tea for
three" being served once more,
with no one any the worse except
the by now repentant husband.

Owen Moore is perhaps the best
of the three, but even he does not
seem suited to the part. Lew Cody
needs far quicker action to bring
out his particular talent.

Sam Ku West and his troupe
again received much applause
yesterday.

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Chinese Company.

STRENGTH.

Constable R64 Kiang Luen
Cheong has been permitted to re-
sign having completed one full
year's service, with effect from
March 7th.

"FIRST AID TO THE INJURED."

Class for instruction in First
Aid will be held at the Company's
Headquarters on Wednesday,
March 13th at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

SIGNALLING.

The Signalling Squad will attend
at the Company's Headquarters for
practice in Morse and Semaphore
under Crown Sergeant R15 Ow
Yeung Kin Hong on Wednesday,
March 13th at 8.30 p.m. sharp.

ANNUAL EXAMINATION IN PART 2.

The examination in Part 2 of
Training Course will continue at
the Company's Headquarters on
Thursday, March 14th at 8.30 p.m.
sharp, under Chief Inspector H. J.
Pateron, Principal of the Police
Training School.

Indian Company.

PARADE.

All ranks of the Indian Company
will parade at Police Headquarters
on Tuesday, March 12th for drill
under Sergeant Condon. Fall in
at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Blue
Uniform, belt and cap without
cover. No member may be absent
from this parade without leave
from the Company Commander.

Flying Squad.

LEAVE.

Constable R327 Poon Wing Fook
has been granted 2 months' sick
leave commencing February 8th.

The weekly instructional patrol
of the Kowloon Section will take
place on Tuesday, March 12th.
Fall in at the Tsim-tai-tai Fire
Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp.
Dress—Winter Uniform.

The weekly instructional patrol
of the Hong Kong Section will
take place on Thursday, March
14th. Fall in at the Central Police
Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress
—Winter Uniform.

Sharpshooters' Company.

STRENGTH.

The following have been taken on
the strength of the Sharpshooters'
Company:—

Constable R437 F. A. Broad-
bridge, as from March 7th.
Constable R438 N. Stradmoor,
as from March 6th.
Constable R439 A. Cross,
as from March 6th.
Constable R440 H. H. Latham,
as from March 7th.

REVOLVER PRACTICE.

Members of the Sharpshooters'
Company are reminded of the re-
volver practice to be held on Sun-
day, March 17th at 10.00 a.m., for
details, see last week's orders.

"DEPENDU" CLASS.

This will be held as usual on
Monday, March 18th at Police
Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. under
Sergeant R. J. Hunt. Dress—
Muff.

(Sgd.) D. L. King,

D.S.P. (R).

Hong Kong, March 12th, 1929.

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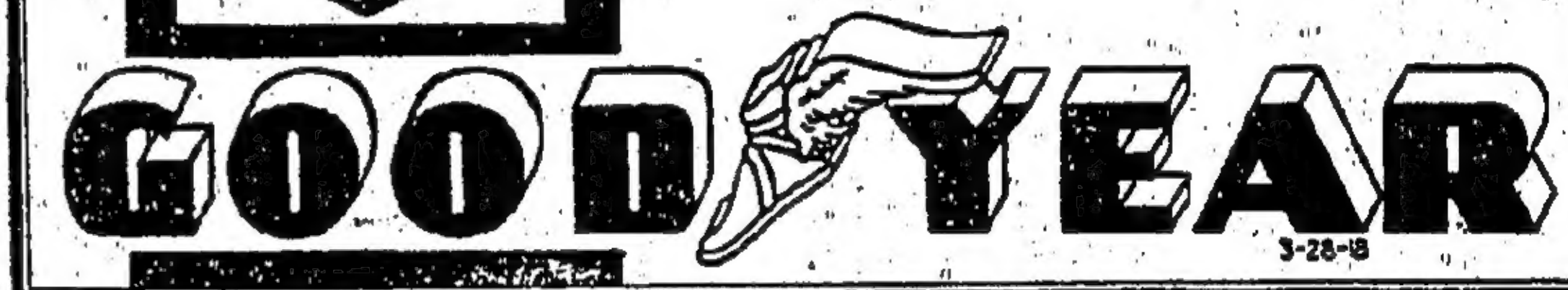
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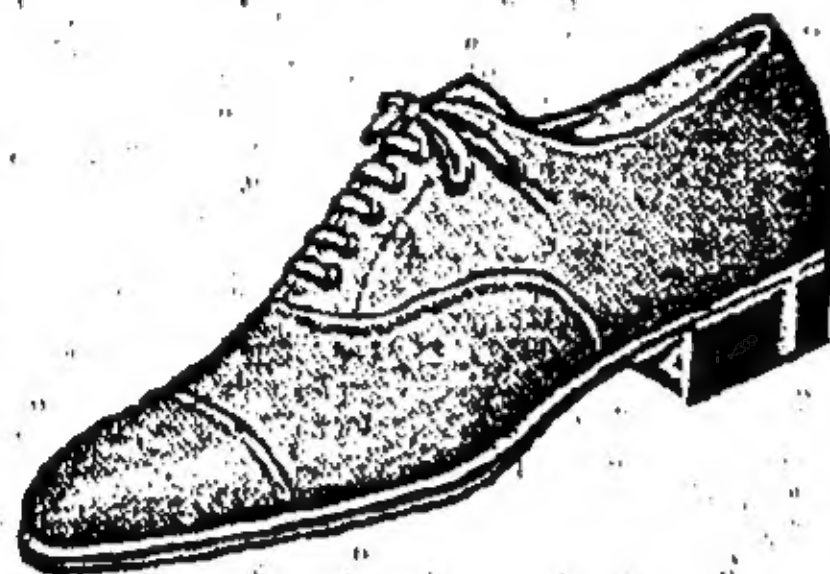
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MR. J. DA ROCHA'S EMPHATIC DENIAL.

YESTERDAY'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Members of the Hong Kong Chamber of Commerce who anticipated something in the nature of a stormy passage at yesterday afternoon's Annual General Meeting of the Chamber, held in their office in Chartered Bank Building, were doomed to disappointment.

Allegations against local exporters—foreigners as well as Chinese—were made by the Chairman, who suggested that various malpractices were bringing discredit upon the Colony's business prestige abroad.

An emphatic denial was made by Mr. J. M. da Rocha and endorsed by another member. Contrary to expectations, the Chairman obviated further discussion of the matter in public by placing the onus of consideration of the remarks upon the shoulders of the Committee.

Our comment upon the subject of the discussion appears in our leading article.

"REFERRED TO COMMITTEE."

THE CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Chairman said: Gentlemen, —Before we begin the business before the meeting this afternoon, I am sure you will desire that I should express on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce our deep regret at the tragic disaster which has just occurred at the King Edward Hotel, our sympathy with the relatives of those who have lost their lives, and with those who have been injured.

As you are aware, commencing January 1st, the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce has become incorporated under the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and the entire assets and liabilities of the Chamber have now been transferred to the incorporated Chamber.

The Accounts.

From the accounts, you will observe that once again the Committee are able to present a balance sheet showing a surplus of income over expenditure. On this occasion the sum of \$8,728 has been added to the general reserve, which now stands at \$74,918.61. Our income from subscriptions is practically stationary, but unusually large receipts from arbitrations and surveys assisted in swelling the total receipts. Expenditure under the respective headings is practically normal, and the only appreciable increase will be found under "Secretarial Expenses." Last year you were informed that the services of an Assistant Secretary were necessary to cope with the work. After careful selection, Mr. Price has been engaged and started his duties last November to relieve our hard-working Secretary. We are confident that this addition to the Staff will enable the important work accomplished by the Chamber to be maintained and extended. The extra expense, which has been saved since 1924, will absorb the greater part of the surplus we have shown in recent years.

Your Committee have in mind the possibility of effecting a few economies, but you will realise that it would be unwise to reduce subscriptions unless we are able to increase the number of members. We have at present 170 members and it is proposed to make a canvass for new subscribers shortly after this meeting. The Chamber does valuable work in the interests of the entire commercial community, and it is only right that everyone interested in the trade of the Colony should give their support.

Chinese Language School.

It is gratifying to see that the Chinese Language School is being well supported and the surplus for the year, of \$1,233, goes to reduce the deficit which now stands at \$3,301. Our thanks are due to His Excellency the Governor for his keen interest in the study of the Chinese language and for his remarks at the last Annual Meeting, which no doubt did much to promote the study of the Chinese language amongst commercial staffs. We are also indebted to Mr. Wong Tak Kwong and Mr. K. S. Morrison for their assistance in examining the Scholars for certificates.

It is with much regret that we have to record the recent death of Mr. H. P. White, senior partner of Messrs. Douglas, Lapraik & Co., a firm which has been a Member of the Chamber since its foundation in 1881. During the year, we have also to record, with regret, the loss of Major Henry Keewick (who was a Member of the Committee from 1907/1911 and was elected Vice-Chairman in 1908), and of Mr. Edward Shellim, for many years a Member of the Committee.

The China Situation.

Members have quite recently had an opportunity of listening to or reading the interesting speech delivered by Mr. Compton at the annual meeting of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,

which dealt very comprehensively with the China situation, and I feel therefore that any lengthy statement on this occasion may be unnecessary.

The year has been marked by several very important steps in the direction of solidification and unification of the country and its relations with Foreign Powers. Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-eight should go down in the world's history as the year in which China was granted Tariff Autonomy and in which many Commercial Treaties were revised and placed on more modern lines.

Although the Nationalist Party nominally holds sway over the entire country, the authority in the Northern Provinces appears to be more nominal than real, and we all regret to note that at the moment they seem to be facing a critical situation. Rome was not built in a day, however, and provided the Nationalist Government can live up to their undertakings, both to their own country and to the Powers, we should see gradual improvement and more stable conditions. Much still remains to be accomplished: many loans are in default; the country's credit is at a low ebb; irregular taxation is difficult to stop; railways are being "milked" of legitimate revenue that is so badly needed to repair permanent way and rolling stock; the cost of the Armies impoverishes the country, and finances have yet to be placed on a budgetary basis.

Spirit of Progress.

On the other hand, there is no doubt that the spirit of progress is present and China, with its comparatively low standard of living, has great powers of recuperation, provided it enjoys a few years of peace and quiet. Business failures have been remarkably few, even prior to the New Year Settlement, and there is evidence of gradually returning confidence.

Turning more particularly to the South, Kwangtung and Kwangsi Provinces bore the brunt of the Northern Expedition to further the Nationalist cause, but signs are not wanting to show that rapid recovery is already being made. The Provincial Governments are actively turning their attention to questions of education, public health, utilities and communications. Travelling, which is still undertaken in the Northern and Central Provinces with a certain amount of risk, is now probably safer in our two neighbouring Provinces and Fukien than has been the case for many years past. In this connection, Mr. Perry has very kindly presented to the Chamber three maps showing the progress of road construction in Kwangtung, Kwangsi and Fukien. The extent of the roads is about 3,000 miles and I understand that the up-country staff of the B.A.T. have travelled safely over practically the whole of the mileage. Stern anti-piracy measures are being taken and it is significant that towboats and launches in the Delta are now able to ply without armed guards.

Trade in 1928 Indifferent.

In trade the past year can only be classified as indifferent, but with the depleted buying power of the country we can hardly hope for anything more than slow improvement. Farmers and villagers are busily engaged repairing the ravages of warfare and banditry and this is absorbing their available resources. When this step has been completed, a gradual improvement in trade should be seen, and it is to be hoped that the Import Tariff, which has only been fixed for one year, will not be drastically revised and so once again hamper commerce.

Relations Between Hong Kong and Kwangtung.

It may not be out of place to recall the remarks made by the Chairman of the China Association

at the Annual Dinner in London last November as to the peculiar administrative disabilities, which must tend to weaken Hong Kong's position, and which are perhaps more noticeable under the present changing conditions of China than formerly. I refer to the fact that, while being geographically a part of China, we are out of touch with the country owing to the administration of the Colony being under the Secretary of State for the Crown Colonies, whereas the Imperial policy of Great Britain towards China is dictated by the Foreign Office. It is more than ever essential that Hong Kong should be in the closest possible touch with the neighbouring Province, and I trust that the reference to our position by the Chairman of the China Association will not go altogether unheeded.

When the Tariff Treaty was under consideration, the Chamber of Commerce once more drew the attention of the authorities to the need for a system of bonded warehouses in Hong Kong, so that goods moving from one port of China to another should not lose their status as Chinese cargo, which is the case at present where transshipment is necessary. It would also tend to maintain Hong Kong's position as a distributing centre for overseas trade. A system of warehouses bonded by Chinese Customs would also materially assist imports from abroad.

The Chamber's Activities.

Turning to the Chamber's activities, these are fully covered in the Annual Report, but the following may perhaps be mentioned:—

With a view to providing a substitute for the *Daily Bulletin*, a service of Reuter's market telegrams was commenced last July. It is found, however, that in many instances the quotations given are hardly applicable to this market, and subscribers will be given an opportunity—before the present contract terminates—of considering whether they wish to continue the service, or adopt some alternative.

Most of you have doubtless received a notice from the Cable Companies as to the International Telegraph Conference dealing with the amendments to the regulations for code telegrams. The Chamber understands that the introduction of these regulations is meeting with opposition from commercial bodies at Home and on the Continent, and the Chamber has recently suggested that objections might well be lodged by the Associated Chambers of Commerce in China and Hong Kong.

The Stamp Ordinance.

The Chamber's attitude regarding the revision of the Stamp Ordinance is fully set out in the Report. While in sympathy with the Government in their endeavour to secure the revenue to which they are entitled by law, your Committee has urged that care must be taken not to place unreasonable impositions on investments and thus drive capital away from the Colony. An early decision has been requested, and I am authorised by the Government to state that this matter is receiving their earnest consideration, in conjunction with various suggestions that have been made, but that they are unable at the moment to indicate what action will be taken.

The Report also deals with the question of recommending trade statistics. After making exhaustive enquiries as to the methods adopted at Home, in Singapore, Ceylon and elsewhere, the Chamber addressed a letter to the Government on February 6th this year suggesting that statistics be recommended, on a restricted basis, in keeping with the wish expressed by Members. There is no doubt that had statistics not been discontinued, figures for the years 1924/1925 would now be most illuminating to the Government and useful to merchants.

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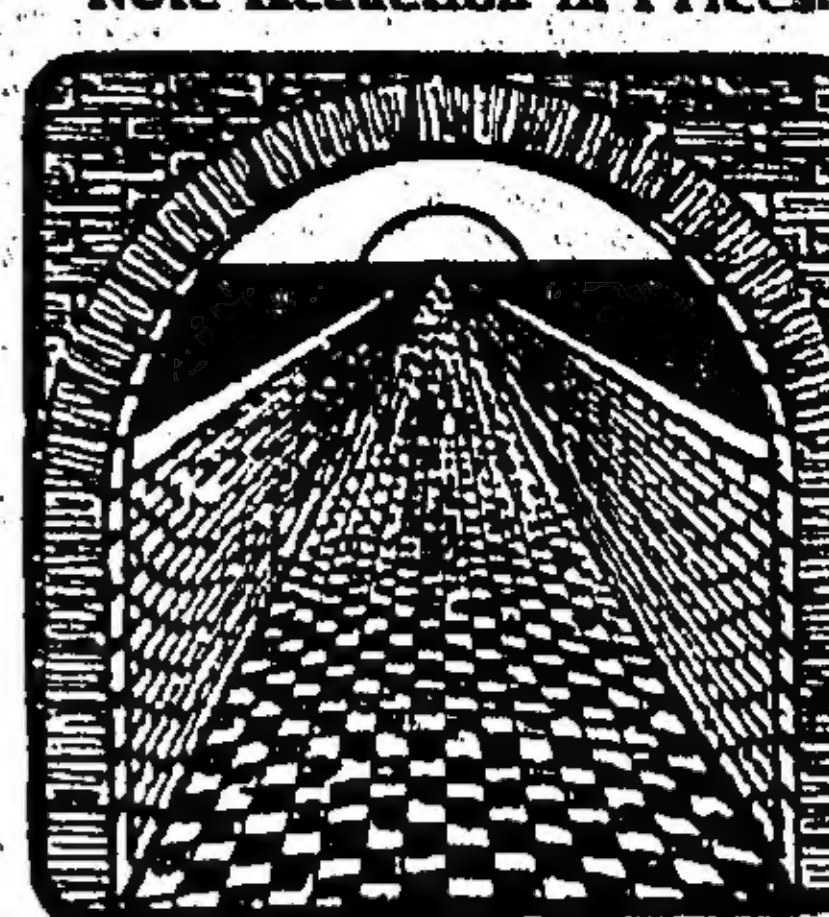
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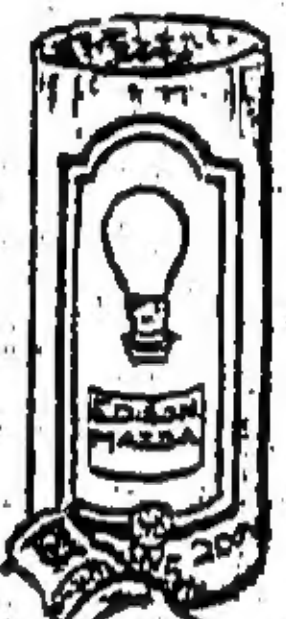
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KING EDWARD HOTEL FIRE.

TWO MORE BODIES FOUND IN RUINS.

DANGER OF INTERNAL COLLAPSE.

MR. ENOS SETH'S ROOM.

I paid a further visit to the King Edward Hotel yesterday evening, writes a *Daily Press* representative. No hoses were running and the lower floors of the Savoy were almost dry.

The Sanitary coolies, who had worked tremendously hard on the previous day, were not in evidence. Upon making inquiries I received the information that searching operations had been suspended owing to the danger of a collapse of some of the internal floor supports.

RUMOURS DISCREDITED.

"That is all that remains of Mr. Seth's room," said a P.W.D. official, pointing to a twisted heap of rusted ironwork which supported one corner of the charred floor. There was a heap of rubble in the corner and the scorched remains of some furniture.

"If great steel beams were twisted and torn like that by the heat," he went on, "what chance would a man have if he was cut off? The heat was so intense that a body would be completely incinerated. Beyond a stray piece of burnt bone, I don't suppose we shall discover anything up here."

"On the fourth floor, it is possible that a body may be found."

MORE REMAINS FOUND.

"Just where the floor has collapsed over in that corner there are one or two fallen half-burnt joists and pieces of damaged furniture. I regard that as a likely spot. I think if we find any human remains at all, we shall find them over there."

I saw the remains of the room from which Petty Officer Phillips made his sensational escape by swimming down knotted bed-sheets. In an adjoining room stood a small dressing table half of which was practically burnt away. Two glasses filled with very "flat" beer stood on it.

Search in the ruins was resumed later and in the debris of the room which Mr. Seth occupied, human remains, charred beyond all recognition, were discovered late in the afternoon. They were carried very reverently down to the foyer of the Savoy Hotel, placed in a coffin and removed to the public mortuary. Identification is quite impossible and it is even doubtful if the remains are those of one or two persons.

MR. SETH'S BODY?

After a long search, the searchers discovered another body in a very charred state on the top floor of the King Edward Hotel, in the centre of the building. The body was found at about 8.30 p.m., last night amongst a heap of debris from the roof, and was taken to the Public Mortuary for examination. Mr. T. H. King, Acting Superintendent of Police, and Mr. Brooks, Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, were present.

All the clothes had been burnt and it was impossible to identify any of the remains. Turning the body over, a piece of striped clothing, similar to that of a pyjama coat, was found, protected by another piece of black cloth, presumed to have been a coat of some sort. A number of friends of the missing Mr. Seth were present and it is believed that the remains may be those of Mr. Seth.

Official Casualty List.

The official police list of the nine persons killed at the fire is as under—

Mr. D. J. Robson (Assistant Naval Store Officer, Royal Naval Yard).

Mrs. D. J. Robson (wife of the above).

Mr. P. Baille (French).

Stephen Kish (American), (2nd Class Fireman of the U.S.S. Memphis).

Mrs. Tsui Kam Shiu, alias Dr. Wong Yuk Ying, of No. 36, Pak Tse Road, Canton.

Mr. Wong Kwong Leong, of Canton, brother of the above lady.

Mr. Cheung Hei Kang, Secretary to General Chen Ming Shu.

Mr. William Woods (British), of the W. E. Woods Co., of Wellington, New Zealand, owners of the Great Woods Peppermint Cure.

Leung Kwan, a room boy of the King Edward Hotel.

Of the above, Mr. Robson and Mr. Woods were burned to death. The others met their deaths through missing the jumping sheets in leaping from the upper floor of the burning building.

To these names must be added, we fear, Mr. Enos Seth.

The official police list of injured persons number five, as follows—

General Chen Ming Shu, Civil Governor of Canton.

Mrs. Chen Ming Shu.

Andrew Piccoli (American), 28 years of age, of the U.S.S. Memphis.

To Chat, room boy of the King Edward Hotel.

Ng K. Yuen, kitchen boy of the King Edward Hotel.

CORONER'S INQUIRY.

The Police report adds that a Chinese Naval Captain, named Ma, who had been reported missing for a considerable time, was seen alive on Monday evening.

It was learned at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning that a Coroner's inquiry will be held by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, and a Jury, on Friday afternoon into the death of Mr. William Woods. At this inquiry an opportunity will be taken to go into the various aspects of the entire affair although, as in the cases recently of the Hain Wah disaster, and of the Race Course catastrophe, eleven years ago when 600 people lost their lives, the inquiry will only be on one body.

There is no likelihood of an official report of the fire being available for some days.

The technical side of the work of the Fire Brigade has become a matter of considerable importance in view of the heavy destruction and loss of life caused by the disaster.

The Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, Mr. H. T. Brooks, was interviewed by Press representatives. Mr. Brooks said that the alarm was received from the fire alarm box at the Hong Kong Hotel corner, at 3.08 a.m. and within two minutes of the receipt of the call, two appliances were on the scene. The first to connect up with the hydrant was No. 8 pump. It also brought an escape which was immediately wheeled into position at a point where European inmates of the Hotel were waiting on the second floor verandah.

Sudden and Intense Outbreak.

No. 11 motor pump also got promptly to work with deliveries brought in through the main entrance of the Hotel to the staircase and lift. Flames had broken out, intensifying, in this central portion of the Hotel, and shooting upwards these were making short work of the wood that represented the main structural material of the interior of the building. So sudden and intense was the outbreak that the two topmost floors were alight by the time two other appliances pulled out of the station.

These appliances arrived at 3.10, Mr. Brooks stated. They were No. 13 motor pump and the No. 9 turntable ladder. As the work became more and more urgent, an order was sent through to the largest of the fire-floats, the No. 1 fire-float; for it to be brought into use from the sea-wall.

The No. 1 fire-float was also kept under steam day and night, and it needed but a few seconds for it to get under way from the time of the receipt of the call.

It was also found necessary to use the small fire-float, No. 4, which arrived at 3.55 a.m. and took a position alongside the other float next to the Star Ferry Wharf.

Brigade Call Sent Out.

Concerning No. 3 float, it was explained by Mr. Brooks that as a matter of procedure it got up steam only after the larger emergency float had left. There was no question of any avoidable delay in the dispatch of the second float.

From these two floats three 4-inch deliveries were led through Ice House Street and disposed at effective points bearing on the seat of the fire.

The naval authorities also assisted with a tug which, moored on the other side of the Star Ferry pier, was able to get two small lines into use.

In the meantime, what is known as the "Brigade Call," which was sent through only on occasions of great emergency when every appliance and man of the Brigade were needed, was received at the various stations, and the two appliances belonging to the Wanchai and Kennedy Town Sub-Stations were rushed to the scene, the first arriving at 3.39 and the other at 3.38 according to the official log.

Positions for the effective use of these hoses were taken up on the verandahs of Prince Building across Ice House Street and also from the corner of Queen's Building. A nearer point was gained by operating the lines from the Savoy Hotel, the topmost storey of which had become involved. In all, five motor-pumps were working and he emphasised that there was enough water pressure from the very start.

Mr. Brooks commented on certain constructional features of the building, pointing out that, deprived of their principal means of escape by the early destruction of the staircase and the passages leading into it from the rooms, many of the inmates were trapped in their rooms and forced to look for escape to the verandahs.

The Fire Escapes.

The fact, he continued, that the rescue ladders fell short of the uppermost storeys and failed to reach those who were on these verandahs was not to be taken as an assumption that the Brigade was deficient in its devices for saving life. The escapes used were the same as those of up-to-date Brigades

EUROPEAN VICTIMS OF HOTEL FIRE.

FUNERAL OF MR. AND MRS. D. J. ROBSON.

MILITARY HONOURS ACCORDED.

Naval and Military establishments were represented at the funeral of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Robson, two of the European victims of Monday morning's King Edward Hotel fire disaster, at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon.

A firing party from the King's Own Scottish Borderers under R. S. M. Parkinson and Sgt. Barham joined the funeral procession at the Monument. There were also present members of the Scottish Company of the H.K.V.D.C., Capt. Morrison representing Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., the Commandant of the Corps, other officers and non-commissioned officers present being Lieut. MacKenzie, Lieut. Forsyth, Lieut. Duncan, C. S. M. Brown, Sgt. Fletcher and Sgt. Saunders.

Heads of departments of H.M. Naval Yard, other members of the staff and many civilians were present. Mr. E. A. S. Hayward, O.B.E., Naval Store Officer and head of the department in which the deceased gentleman served as Assistant Naval Store Officer, was the principal mourner. Among other present were Commodore R. A. S. Hill, R.N., Comdr. C. H. Phillips, Lieut.-Comdr. A. W. Chisholm, Batten, Surg.-Lieut.-Comdr. Hunt, Engr.-Capt. W. H. Michell, Mr. A. J. Ashby (Deputy N.S.O.), Messrs. S. J. Heath and E. R. Robinson (Assistant N.S.O.), Mr. Tichenor (Chief Constructor), Messrs. Mathias, Holt, Quick, Taylor, Harlow, Bell, Marsh, Munro, G. T. May, E. Smith, W. E. Holland, J. H. Wicheil, A. W. Bias, C. Barnett, H. Beer, S. F. Flegg, F. Foale, C. E. Jones, W. J. Bickford, Hamilton, Sayer, and Foster. Many ladies, friends of the deceased couple, were also present at the graveside.

The two coffins were borne to the graveside by members of the Scottish Company, H.K.V.D.C., and staff of the Naval Store Department, the Rev. G. H. Hewitt, Naval Chaplain, conducting the service. The coffins were lowered into one grave, over which the military party fired three volleys. The sounding of the "Last Post" brought the impressive ceremony to a close.

Floral Tributes.

There were many wreaths from Naval establishments and from personal friends, among the many tokens being the following:—Commodore R. A. S. Hill, R.N., Admiralty and R.N. Yard Technical Officers' Association, Members of Commander of Dockyard Department, Local Staff of Expense Store Accounts Office, Local Clerical Staff of Naval Store Office, Storekeeping Staff of Naval Store Department, Civil Service, Cashier and Staff, H.M. Dockyard, Civil Service Clerical Association, Directing and European Officers' and Staff of Naval Store Department, Comptroller of H.M. Dockyard, Staff R.N. Armament Depot, Chief Engineer Office Staff, S.E.E. Department, All Banks Scottish Company, H.K.V.D.C., and H.K.V.D.C. Canteen.

The Deceased Couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Robson were residents in the Hotel at the time of the fire at 3 o'clock in the morning. Mrs. Robson failed to alight on a canvas sheet held in the street when she leaped from the verandah of the burning building and was killed. The body of the husband was identified later among the killed. They were married about three years ago and arrived in the Colony in February last year from Sheerness. Mr. Robson was in the Army during the war, and he was connected with the Scottish Company of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps. He was a keen football player and a member of the Kowloon team, having represented them in a match a few days before his death.

elsewhere, with a length standardised at 50 feet. Used against a building of the height of the King Edward Hotel, they reached the level only of the second storey, but, short as they appeared to be, they were the means of rescuing no fewer than seven persons in the fire.

In addition, the Brigade possessed the No. 9 turntable ladder mentioned above, which, being 80 feet long, had a higher reach than the escapes. Yet it could not reach higher than the level of the third floor when brought into use. Again, this turntable ladder was the means of saving three other persons, one of them being a Chinese who was taken off from a precarious perch, clinging to a piece of masonry over the entrance.

Where escapes and turntable were of no available in the endeavour to take off people trapped in the topmost storeys, they were urged to jump into the jumping sheets that were brought into use. Four were rescued in that way.

Mrs. Robson would have similarly been saved, but after jumping she struck a wire stretched across the street and fell clear of the sheet.

Mr. Brooks pointed out that the jumping sheets were brand new and intact, in contradiction of a report in a contemporary that one of the victims dropped through one of the sheets.

KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

SUB-COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

STAR FERRY APPROACH.

The first monthly committee meeting of the newly elected committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association took place on Monday evening at 5.30 p.m. in St. Andrew's Church Hall, the chair being taken by Mr. C. M. Manners, O.B.E., President of the Association.

The Chairman welcomed the following new members to the Committee:—Messrs. W. J. Brown, Lai Im To, E. Tregillus, W. Goldenburg and Capt. Riggs.

Arising out of the minutes the Chairman mentioned that the Yau-mat-shi shelter wall had now been cleared of the insanitary squatters, who had previously made the place a menace to public health, and a hotbed of disease, the old and infirm people affected, having been absorbed by the various Chinese charitable organisations. It was decided that the time was now opportune to approach the Government with a view to turning the wall into a promenade for the provision of fresh air in such a thickly populated locality.

SUB-COMMITTEES:—The following sub-committees were then appointed—

CORRESPONDENCE:—The President, Vice President and Hon. Secretary.

BATHING FACILITIES:—Captain Riggs, Messrs. E. Tregillus and F. Stapleton.

CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUNDS:—Mr. W. J. Brown, Mr. B. W. Tape and Mr. J. M. Alves.

"STAR" FERRY APPROACH:—Mr. F. Easterbrook, Mr. E. Cock and Mr. B. Wylie.

Messrs. F. Mow Fung and F. Stapleton were appointed to represent the Association on the Committee of the New Territories Agricultural Show and Captain T. Laurensen on the Committee of the R.S.P.C.A.

Yau-mat-shi Bus Service.

Letters and plans pointing out that residents of Hung Hom and Kowloon City at present had to walk from the junction of Nathan and Gascoigne Roads to reach the Yau-mat-shi Ferry, which was their only available ferry service after 8.30 p.m., were placed before the meeting. After discussion, it was decided to request the C.S.P. to arrange for Bus Route No. 4 to be extended so as to serve the Yau-mat-shi Ferry Wharf.

"Star" Ferry Approach.

The proposal of the authorities to utilise the levelled-off "island" outside the "Star" Ferry as a parking place, for buses was discussed and plans of the proposal were passed to the sub-committee, with a request that they report thereon at the next meeting.

Other matters including the speeding of motor cycles in Humphrey's Avenue, the condition of the footpath in Hanoi Road and the turnstiles at the "Star" Ferry Wharf were discussed and left in the hands of the Correspondence Committee, and the meeting closed at 7 p.m.

Members are reminded that subscriptions for 1929 are now due and should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. E. Abraham c/o Messrs. Tester & Abraham, Exchange Building, Hong Kong.

YESTERDAY'S PUBLIC AUCTION.

\$333,000 FOR FOUR LOTS.

SOLD BY MESSRS. LAMMERTS.

Four valuable leasehold properties were offered for sale by public auction at Messrs. Lammer Bros. Auction Rooms yesterday afternoon; they went for a total of \$333,000. Mr. Lai Yiu Kau, one of the most prominent bidders of the Colony, secured three of the four lots offered, paying a total of \$261,000. Mr. Lai Tat Sam bought the other lot, at No. 360, Queen's Road Central, and No. 47, Lower Lascar Row, for a sum of \$74,000. Bids for the first and third lots were limited to \$1,000 each, the other two being at \$500 per bid. The biggest "jump" was for the first lot which rose from \$115,000 to \$162,000 at the first bid.

The following are the details of the four lots offered for sale:—

Lot No. 1.—Nos. 29D, 29E and 29F, Wellington Street, three newly erected four-storied Chinese shops and dwellings with basements. Upset price \$115,000—sold to Mr. Lai Yiu Kau for \$162,000.

Lot No. 2.—No. 180, Wellington Street, three-storied Chinese shop and dwelling house with iron balconies. The annual Crown rent is \$12. Upset price \$35,000—sold to Mr. Lai Yiu Kau for \$62,000.

Lot No. 3.—No. 360, Queen's Road Central and 47, Lower Lascar Row, three-storied Chinese shops and dwellings. The annual Crown rent payable on this property is \$21.81. Upset price \$60,000—sold to Mr. Lai Tat Sam for \$74,000.

Lot No. 4.—No. 1, Castle Road, a semi-detached two-storied European residence. The annual Crown rent payable on this property is \$5.63. Upset price \$40,000—sold to Mr. Lai Yiu Kau for \$47,000.

THE £10,000 CONTRACT CLAIM.

JUDGMENT FOR DEFENDANTS.

MR. JENKIN'S ARGUMENT ON TERMINATION OF CONTRACT.

Judgment for defendants, with costs, was given yesterday in the Supreme Court in the case in which the Banque Industrielle de Chine claimed against Tuen Kee Hong for \$11,534.78, damages for breach of an exchange contract for the purchase of £10,000 sterling in London. The defence, for whom Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., appeared, successfully pleaded that the bank broke the contract by closing its doors when insolvent on July 2nd, 1921, which was the month during which the contract was current.

Mr. Jenkin, for the Bank, argued that there was always a period in which performance of a contract must be made. It had been held that the mere suspension of payment by a bank was not a breach of contract, because the liquidator might have accepted certain bills. In any case the shutting of the Banque Industrielle's doors did not carry the alleged breach any further than had the manager stood on the front steps and said he would not carry out the contract.

Mr. Jenkin submitted that there was nothing, on which his Lordship could find that, in fact, the Provisional Liquidator would not have carried out the bank's part of the contract by paying the money in London.

Dealing with the point as to what either of both parties should do in the event of a contract being regarded as broken or repudiated, counsel said that they had to show their intention either in express words or in some act which was binding upon them, capable of clear establishment by proof of which there could be no doubt. If nothing was done by either side for an inordinate length of time then there was a right to infer that both parties treated the contract as being at an end.

Defendant ought to have written to the bank manager to the effect that as he was unable to carry out the contract he (defendant) accepted the repudiation. A mental conclusion was not sufficient. There must be some communication or act for repudiation. When defendant interviewed the complainant, he concluded that the contract was at an end, but that was not enough.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., having replied his Lordship gave judgment as stated.

DISOBEYING A TRAFFIC SIGNAL.

SUMMONS AGAINST MR. C. R. WILSON.

DEFECT IN LIGHT PROVED.

The hearing of the summons against Mr. C. R. Wilson, of the Hong Kong Electric Company, who was alleged to have driven his car from Arsenal Street into Queen's Road East on February 14th disregarding a red light stop signal given by the traffic constable at the junction, was resumed before Major C. Wilson at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

At the previous hearing the defendant contended that no light was shown on his approaching the junction and suggested that the switch was not in proper working order.

Evidence on this point was called at the resumed hearing from Mr. A. E. Clark, Senior Inspector of Works, P.W.D. Witness said that on February 15th a report was received that the control switch of the signal light in question was out of order. On investigation a loose contact was detected, which was remedied by putting in a new switch. The red and green signals then operated satisfactorily. On February 23rd another fault was reported, but this was due to a burnt out lamp bulb.

After hearing this evidence, His Worship observed that no one had seen the red light which the traffic constable alleged was exhibited on the approach of defendant's car, nor could the constable himself have seen the light seeing he was standing under the signal standard. It was clear that the light was defective at the time and the summons would therefore be dismissed.

THE SMALL-POX EPIDEMIC.

SLIGHTLY ON WANE.

There were 37 fresh cases of small-pox last week, 15 from Victoria, 20 from Kowloon and 2 from Shaukiwan. This is a lower number over a week than there has been since December 1st. It is particularly satisfactory to see that the epidemic is not spreading beyond the two big urban areas.

The number of deaths, 42, was an increase of 8 upon last week, but, apart from that, the lowest figure this year.

Monday's figures were less reassuring, ten cases being recorded, 13 from Shaukiwan.

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Printed Tenders and further particulars can be obtained at the R.N. HOSPITAL.

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Wm. W. KEIR,
Surgeon Captain, R.N.
R.N. Hospital, Hong Kong,
13th March, 1929. [7515]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 40th ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, CHATER ROAD, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th DAY OF MARCH, 1929, at 10 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and a Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1928.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 4th DAY OF MARCH, 1929, to WEDNESDAY, the 13th DAY OF MARCH, 1929, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers,
Hong Kong, 21st Feb., 1929. [7517]

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONG KONG.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held in the Office of the HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB, on the Ground Floor of the Jockey Club (Crown Avenue), on THURSDAY, 14th MARCH, 1929, at 3.30 P.M.

For the following purposes—
(a) To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the Past Year.
(b) To elect the Officers and Committee for the ensuing year.
(c) To consider the manner in which St. George's Day shall be celebrated.
(d) To transact any other business of which due Notice has been given.

All Members are requested to attend.
S. T. BUTLIN,
Hon. Secretary,
Hong Kong, 7th Mar., 1929. [7491]

HONG KONG CLUB. NOTICE.

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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.15 p.m., stated:—

The anticyclone over China has strengthened. Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh, fine to cloudy.

MARRIAGE.

FOX-EDWARDS.—On March 7th, at Shanghai, GONFREY LIVINGSTONE, son of Mr. CHARLES BENNETT FOX of Brisbane, Queensland to ELIZABETH, daughter of late Mr. THOMAS EDWARDS of Halebank, Lancs., England.

DEATH.

MARKE.—On March 8th, at Shanghai (of pneumonia), SAMUEL MARKE, Traffic Supt., Shanghai Electric Construction Co., Ltd.

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The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, MARCH 13th, 1929.

COMMERCIAL MORALITY IN HONG KONG.

It is not often that the annual meeting of the local Chamber of Commerce provides such interesting material for comment as did yesterday's proceedings. The Chairman's speech on such occasions is invariably of interest, since it is regarded as an authoritative review of the commerce of the Colony for the past year, and as a well-informed opinion as to trade prospects during the next twelve months. Mr. WEILL's speech yesterday followed these traditional lines; it was listened to—and will be read—with the keen interest customarily shown by business-men in such addresses. But there were some unusual features about the Chairman's speech yesterday, and there was an unusual sequel, which are worthy of comment in the interests of the commercial community of this great port.

Mr. WEILL concluded his formal address with some emphatic references to alleged abuses connected with the export trade of Hong Kong. These observations were directed not only against Chinese producers but also against foreign exporters. The allegations contained in the Chairman's observations were such as do not add to the prestige of this port on the score of commercial morality. However, if there are abuses and shady practices in the conduct of trade, it is better that these unpleasant matters be brought to light and remedies frankly discussed, rather than pretend such malpractices do not exist. There is no man better qualified to speak publicly on such a subject than he who holds the office of Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce. In that position a man may be assumed to have at his command all the authentic information it is possible to secure regarding the volume and character of the trade of the port, and the manner in which the business is done. Therefore, when the Chairman, at the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, declares in his formal address that dishonest practices in the export trade have caused some concern during the past year, business-men in Hong Kong—and firms abroad doing business with merchants established in this port—quite naturally assume that conditions here must be exceedingly bad. Members of the Chamber were told yesterday that not only have these deplorable practices led to serious complaints from consuming centres, but there has been actual loss of trade as a result, with corresponding loss of prestige to the port. "I would issue a very strong warning," said Mr. WEILL, "not only to Chinese dealers, but also to exporters, to see that quality, packing, and standards are maintained at a level that will do credit to Hong Kong and South China."

In concluding the motion to adopt the report and accounts, Mr. J. A. PETERMAN added a few words, declaring the "short-sighted policy on the part of export merchants generally." So far, so good—but then an astonishing thing happened. Mr. J. M. DA ROCHA, a well-known business-man who has been engaged in commerce in this port for many years, rose to say that in his opinion the Chairman's observations about the export trade were not compatible with the facts. That there have been complaints and claims, was not denied, but that there has been any systematic or sustained resort to malpractices to meet markets was flatly denied. So far from conditions last year being bad, Mr. DA ROCHA declared that generally speaking there had been a marked improvement in the quality, packing, and standards of goods shipped from Hong Kong. One firm which handles more than 50 per cent. of the total export of wood-oil says that claims have been rare—showing that shippers have been satisfactory. Another firm reports that the quality of wood-oil shipped from this port has improved to such an extent that Hong Kong is now a serious competitor for this business with Hankow. Business in other export commodities, according to Mr. DA ROCHA, shows evidence of similar improvement, and in regard to rice "my close connection with this trade has not revealed any retrograde step during 1928." The speaker declared the Chairman's strictures were entirely unwarranted, and on behalf of the general body of exporters, no less than the Chinese dealers, Mr. DA ROCHA protested against what he described as the "derogatory remarks" from the Chair concerning the conditions alleged to exist in the export business of the Colony.

Now, there can be two points of view on most questions, and there is nothing very remarkable in finding a difference of opinion between two individuals, A and B, as to whether there are more or fewer complaints and claims arising out of export business to-day than there were twelve months ago. What is extraordinary, however, is to find open conflict of opinion between the Chairman of a Chamber of Commerce and the Chairman of a Sub-Committee of that Chamber. Did Mr. WEILL approach the Exports Sub-Committee before drafting that part of his speech dealing with the export trade? Did the information obtained from that Sub-Committee confirm his own views as to the situation? If so, how is it that Mr. DA ROCHA, who is Chairman of the Exports Sub-Committee, was moved to protest publicly and emphatically against the Chairman's remarks? If conditions in the export trade are in fact as Mr. WEILL described them, Mr. DA ROCHA—as representative of the Exports Sub-Committee—should be the first to support his Chairman instead of criticising him. The position is an extraordinary one, and seems capable of explanation only by an assumption which is no less extraordinary—that the Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce spoke as he did on the subject of export trade without first getting into touch with his Sub-Committee which makes that side of the Chamber's activities its special province. If this theory is correct—and no other seems to meet the case—then there must be a very sad lack of co-ordination in the inner working of the Chamber of Commerce. No managing director of a public company would address a meeting of shareholders without first consulting the heads of departments and obtaining facts and opinions relating to the special activities immediately under their notice. Neglect to make such preliminary inquiries inevitably would result in a statement being made which while quite innocent of harmful intent, might do very serious mischief to the interests of the company. The action of Mr. DA ROCHA at yesterday's meeting may be compared to the head of a department protesting against a statement made by his managing director at a public meeting. He is in a position to know, as Chairman of the Exports Sub-Committee, whether the standard of commercial morality among those handling the export trade of this Colony is as low as it is alleged to be. He declares that so far from conditions becoming worse, they are actually improving, and on behalf of exporters generally he protests against the "unwarranted strictures" passed upon them.

As a consequence of Mr. DA ROCHA's intervention yesterday, the question raised in the Chairman's speech is to be gone into by the Committee—what seems a strange reversal of customary procedure, but at least should result in the facts being arrived at. It is to be hoped that the result of this investigation will be made known without delay, and we hope it will result in clearing the reputation of Hong Kong merchants of any wrong impression which may have been created. It is the object of the Chamber of Commerce to promote trade, to facilitate business, to remove difficulties, and to settle differences. The Chamber can deal with any of its members who may be tempted to stray from the straight and narrow path. Disciplinary action can be taken against such offenders—and should be taken, for it would be most unfortunate if the impression got abroad that improper practices were of common occurrence among business-men in the Colony, and were allowed to go unchecked. Once the idea gets abroad that the standard of commercial morality in a community is not jealously maintained at the high level looked for in Western countries, it is most difficult to remove that impression. In the interests of all business-men in Hong Kong, therefore, swift and effective action is necessary.

News and Views.

The body of a Chinese child was found last night concealed in a box in Caine Lane. The child had met its death from small-pox.

Cases of notifiable disease last week, other than small-pox (dealt with elsewhere) included 7 cases (3 fatal) of enteric, one of which was British, and 3 cases of diphtheria, all Chinese.

A week's remand was granted yesterday in the case in which six men were charged, before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court with the murder of a gardener at Eli Cottage, Old Kowloon Tong.

Pleading guilty to stowing away from Keelung, Formosa, on board the s.s. Tjikini, an unemployed Japanese was sentenced to two weeks hard labour by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court.

The death took place suddenly in the Royal Naval Hospital yesterday morning of Mr. F. J. Connolly, master of the R.F.A. Francel. About 45 years of age, Mr. Connolly was transferred to the Francel from the Khariki last year.

Yesterday morning at 6.45 a.m. the Fire Brigade were summoned to No. 239, Hollywood Road, but on arriving it was found to be only a chimney fire. The Brigade were again summoned at 3.12 p.m. in the afternoon to Wanchai at 154, Sai Street. This call also turned out to be a due to a chimney.

A Chinese stepped into a money changer's shop at No. 43, Queen's Road West, last night and snatched \$700 in bank notes from the counter. The money changer, proprietor of the shop, was sitting behind the counter and immediately got up and gave chase. He soon caught the thief and handed him over to the police.

A wolfhound belonging to Mr. F. M. Ellis, of No. 455, The Peak, has, according to a police report, been sent to Kennedy Town for observation and destruction. The animal is reported to have bitten Mr. Aubrey about a fortnight ago and on Monday it bit Mr. J. Jack, of Messrs. Wm. C. Jack & Co. The owner has asked for the dog to be destroyed.

The case in which five men and a woman were charged in connection with the armed robbery at No. 78, High Street, concluded before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon. Two of the men, the fourth and sixth defendants, were discharged at the close of evidence, the others being committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions.

It is understood that H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester will not stay at Mountain Lodge when he visits Hong Kong next month, but will make his headquarters at Government House. There are six members of the Royal party, and it has been arranged that two will stay with the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes at Bank House, two with H.E. the General Officer Commanding at Headquarters House and two, including the Duke, at Government House.

The case against a Chinese who is being summoned by his wife for alleged persistent cruelty, desertion and neglect to provide for her, was again brought before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon. His Worship intimated that he had been informed that an amicable settlement might be brought about between the husband and wife. Mr. Hin Shing Lo for the prosecution, and Mr. F. X. Remedios for the defence both agreed to an adjournment until 2.15 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20th.

Brighton to Brightons.

The Brighton Corporation is making efforts to arrange for a broadcast programme of a somewhat novel kind being sent out from Brighton, England, to the sixteen Brightons in the United States. The Brighton Corporation have approached the B.B.C., and also two of the broadcasting undertakings in the United States have been approached in the matter, and it is not expected that much difficulty will be found in carrying out the scheme. The programme will be broadcast from the high-power station of the B.B.C., picked up by one of the American stations, and then relayed to the other Brightons. If it is carried out and proves successful there will probably be other schemes of signalling from the old towns on this side of the Atlantic to their namesakes on the other. Brighton is showing enterprise in more material ways. It is now busy with a scheme to produce the most luxurious bathing pools in Europe, at an estimated cost of £150,000. A deputation, consisting of the town clerk, the borough surveyor, and an alderman are soon to pay a visit to Southampton to inspect the bathing pool there.

The annual inspection of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade by H.E. the Governor, will take place on the Murray Parade Ground on Tuesday, March 26th, at 5.15 p.m.

Owing to the long spell of dry weather, there is now less than one hundred days' supply of water in the Hong Kong reservoirs. Water from Kowloon is being distributed from a tank erected in Western Street, and another is being put up in Southern Street. Two more tanks will be erected shortly if circumstances should make such relief necessary.

Communication with Mars.

Radio communication with Mars is beginning to pick up, notwithstanding that it is a one-sided affair. Thus far, Mars has stubbornly refused to answer any of the telegrams sent from the Earth. The latest message to go forward was addressed simply to "the inhabitants of Mars" and was sent by an antique dealer of Belgrade. His radiogram was an inquiry as to whether there was anyone on the neighbouring planet who had antiques to sell. At last reports he was still awaiting a reply. Handling in his message at the Belgrade radio station, the enterprising Yugoslavian business man was told that it could not be accepted. After some discussion, however, in the course of which the government director of posts and telegraph intervened on the dealer's behalf, the radiogram was dispatched. The dealer later explained that he wanted to be the third "Earth dweller" to communicate with Mars; two residents of England recently having attempted similar communications. He said he would be satisfied to wait until the Martians could get into touch with the Earth by wireless before receiving his answer. Written in the Serbian language, the radiogram contained 19 words. It cost 2,100 dinars or approximately \$38.

"Icy-Hot" Summer Weather.

It is good news to be assured that, during the humid and enervating summer months in Hong Kong, we can have any sort of weather we fancy indoors. The health of Europeans in the tropics may be adversely affected by many different conditions, but the worst trials are those caused by high atmospheric humidity, and this was really the problem discussed by Professor Middleton Smith in his interesting lecture last week before the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders. How are we to get rid of the excessive humidity in the atmosphere during the summer months? The answer to this question at first sight is simple. The Professor tells us there is only one way of doing it—to condense the water vapour in the air, and to do this some form of cooling apparatus must be used. The most obvious method is a refrigerating machine, but a plant large enough to keep a house cool is expensive, and costs quite a lot of money to keep going. A rough estimate of £8,000, representing capital cost and maintenance for a ordinary house, is not a figure to encourage many of us to try the scheme. For cooling a small room which could be used as a sleeping-porch, however, the cost would be very much less.

Cool Air in Hospitals.

Another most interesting feature of the lecture was the discussion of atmospheric conditions for human efficiency. A number of tests have been made to determine the effect of temperature and humidity of the air, which makes people feel most comfortable. In America many theatres and cinemas are supplied with pure air at just the degree of heat and humidity considered most desirable. It may be that similar arrangements will be made some day in Hong Kong, but it is much more likely that the first attempts to obtain manufactured weather in the Colony will be made in the local hospitals and large business-offices. The community should be grateful to Professor Middleton Smith for his clear exposition of what is possible. It is now obvious that in the equipment for the new Government Civil Hospital apparatus for cooling air must be included. In dealing with serious cases of sickness expense is a secondary consideration. It is essential, that during the summer months those who are in hospital should be made as comfortable as possible. The fact that considerable additional expense will be incurred to provide the right atmosphere need not deter the Government. As not a brick has been yet laid, it should be possible to build the new civil hospital and the New War Memorial Hospital in such a manner that the necessary apparatus can be installed and used in the most economical manner. As for the application of the system to offices and houses, we hope the experiments which have been made in the University will be continued, so that we may have additional data as to the cost of manufactured weather, and the practicability of making its enjoyment more general.

NANKING'S DEMANDS REVEALED.

PROVINCIAL COUNCILS TO GO.

THREATS OF MORE TROUBLE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 12th. Present prospects point to the probability of the Wuhan supporters accepting instructions from the Central Government. It is reliably reported that the Nanking Government is making the following demands:

The abolition of provincial political councils in Hupoh, Hunan and Kwangtung, or the removal of Hu Tsung Yu from the Chairmanship of the Hupoh Council.

The removal of Ho Chien and the reinstatement of Lu Ti Ping as Chairman of the Hunan Council; and

The withdrawal of all Wuhan troops from Kiangsi and Hunan. Hsiao Li Tze, Nanking's special delegate to Feng Yu Hsiang in connection with the Hunan issue, has returned. He states that Feng is anxious for a peaceful issue, but at any rate will obey the decision of the Central Party headquarters.

Doubtful Loyalty.

Hankow is quiet, and the consensus of opinion there is that the Wuhan forces will be unable to withstand an attack from Nanking, since the loyalty of certain Generals is very doubtful. There are no indications of a general mobilization or that settlement by negotiation is likely to fail. The troops that are being sent down river are only sufficient to hold up the opposing forces for the time necessary to permit the main forces to retreat from the Wuhan cities.

Serious Outlook.

HANKOW, Later. The Provincial Kuomintang members are not departing, as arranged, to attend the forthcoming Congress, and the situation again seems to be tending towards seriousness.

Latest messages from Changsha state that Ho Chien has resigned, and has sent his resignation to Nanking instead of to the Wuhan headquarters, but this cannot be confirmed. It is reported that Lu Ti Ping has arrived at Kiangsi from Nanking, and that skirmishes have already commenced on the border.

"CALM AND TOLERANT ATTITUDE."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, March 12th. Pei Chung Hsi in the course of a circular telegram dealing with the Hunan situation urges the Central Authorities to maintain a calm and tolerant attitude. He points out that the Political Council, being a subordinate organ of the Central Government, will and must abide by the decision of the Central Political Council.

MARSHAL LI TSAI HSIN INTERVIEWED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 12th. Marshal Li Tsai Hsin, the Canton leader, in an interview with Reuter's representative in Shanghai, was optimistic regarding a peaceful settlement of the Hunan imbroglio, but otherwise was non-committal.

He stated that he is arranging to leave for Nanking on Tuesday evening.

CONGRESS SECRETARY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 12th. The Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang Party has appointed Mr. Tai Chi Tao to be Chief Secretary and Mr. Yeh Chu Chang as Acting Chief Secretary to the Third National Congress as Mr. Tai Chi Tao is in mourning.

PAYMENT ON SALT LOANS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 12th. The North China Daily News understands that the Salt Revenue Department has placed sufficient funds with a group of banks to meet the foreign loan obligations secured on the salt revenue and due shortly. These funds are sufficient to meet the Crisp, British and French loan coupons, but no information can be obtained whether the funds will be used to pay last year's defaulted coupon or the present year's coupon.

CONSULAR JURISDICTION IN CHINA.

EARLY ABOLITION EXPECTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 12th. Dr. C. T. Wang in an interview informed a Kuo Min correspondent last night that he understood that the United States Government is exchanging views concerning the abolition of consular jurisdiction (Continued at foot of next column.)

SENSATIONS IN HONAN.

WIDESPREAD DISMISSALS.

CENTRAL EXECUTIVE DEFIED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 12th. The dismissal of the entire Directorate of Provincial Party Affairs for Honan on account of "unwarranted criticism" of the Central Executive Committee and defiance of its decisions has been decided on the ground that the Directorate opposed the method of election of delegates for the forthcoming National Congress.

AGITATOR'S ARREST IN CALCUTTA.

GANDHI'S UNAUTHORISED BONFIRE.

AN EXPLANATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 11th. Earl Winterton's recent denial that Gandhi, the noted Swarajist agitator, was arrested in Calcutta after a serious disturbance, was corrected by the Under-Secretary for India in the House of Commons today.

Earl Winterton said that he had later information which showed that Gandhi was technically arrested at his residence in order to enable him to give recognisances. Gandhi is to be prosecuted for lighting a bonfire in a public place without authority.

ARMY PLANES FOR MEXICO.

INTENSIVE TRAINING FOR PILOTS.

NEW MOVE AGAINST THE REBELS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, March 11th. The aircraft factory at Long Island is working day and night to complete an order for army aeroplanes from the Government of Mexico. The planes are to be equipped with machine-guns and bomb racks.

Meanwhile Mexican pilots are taking an intensive course of training at an air-station at Hampton Roads, Virginia.

An official communiqué states that the troops of the rebel leader, General Aguirre, who were driven out of Vera Cruz last week, have surrendered to the Government forces.

FLUCTUATION OF EXCHANGES.

METHOD OF LIMITATION NEEDED.

INTERNATIONAL BANK'S FUNCTION.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 11th. The Committee of Experts on Reparations held a plenary session this morning in Paris and discussed the function of the proposed new international bank for dealing with Reparation payments.

A Sub-Committee, presided over by Lord Revelstoke, one of the British delegates, was appointed to draw up a report regarding the functions of the new bank, especially in its relation to the exchange market, and to measures to prevent heavy fluctuations in that market.

The new Sub-Committee will also consider how the new bank would stand in connection with the Central Banks of issue, what credits its resources would be able to bear, and, lastly, how the capital of the new bank would be constituted.

WORLD CONSUMPTION OF COTTON.

DECREASED AMERICAN CROP.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 11th. An interesting analysis of the world's cotton trade is contained in a report issued by the International Federation of Master Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers Association.

The cotton mill consumption of the world in the six months ended January 31st, according to the figures issued, was 12,700,000 bales, a slight decrease as compared with the corresponding period of last year.

East Indian, Egyptian and other growths increased, but the American crop showed a decrease of 613,000 bales.

Britain's total consumption was 1,440,000 bales, a slight decrease. Seventy-six mills in England with 3,951,000 spindles stopped work.

With the other Governments concerned, I expect that foreign consular jurisdiction will be abolished before the beginning of next year," he concluded.

AID FOR CHANG TSUNG CHANG.

TOMB ROBBER TRANSFERS TROOPS.

FIFTY VILLAGES SACKED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CHEFOO, March 11th. A Reuter message from Lungkow states that Chu Yu Pu's henchman, General Sun Tien Yin, the robber of the Empress Dowager's tomb, has arrived at Tengchowfu and is conferring with Chang Tsung Chang.

Apparently, Sun Tien Yin is offering to transfer his division of 10,000 men from Changkiu, north-east of Tientsin, to link up with the forces of Marshal Chang.

It is reported in the meantime that the ex-bandit leader Liu Chien Biao has sacked fifty villages in the neighbourhood of Lintze, near Weihai.

BACK TO YOUR BOOKS!

NANKING'S ORDERS

"NOW WITH MILITARISM REMOVED."

Several references have been made of late to Nanking's efforts to curb disorder among students. These have now been crystallized into the following pungent mandate issued by the State Council on March 10th:

Since the pacification of the country, emphasis has been laid on education as the foundation of our National Reconstruction. While its expansion remains a slow process, reorganization of the system is an urgent measure; for nothing can be achieved and the great enterprise of the Revolution may be interrupted or even fail in the middle of its course should the promotion of intelligent citizenship and the training of a qualified government personnel turn out to be a failure.

Repeated Ferment in Schools. In the past few months, however, disorders have repeatedly occurred in schools and colleges and even rash actions have been committed to disturb public peace and order. Should such a state of affairs be allowed to continue, the consequences will be serious.

The Ministry of Education is, therefore, hereby instructed strictly to order all educational administrative organs to pay particular attention to strict discipline of the students and to limit them to their formal functions and activities. School discipline should be enforced as rigorously as the military discipline.

The students, who are spending their elders' earnings and are receiving education from the Government, should befitting themselves as regards their future contributions to society for the public welfare.

When the Militarists were preying upon the people the youths were eager to sacrifice their opportunity for study and devote themselves to the Revolution at great loss to themselves.

Time for Study. Now with Militarism removed, it becomes the duty of all youths to equip themselves with a good education. They should limit themselves to their proper functions and devote themselves to their studies in compliance with the teachings of the Party's late Leader.

They should all observe school discipline and endeavour to concentrate their mind on their studies. The administration of the schools should be left to the responsible authorities and the students must refrain from any improper action.

All educational administrative organs should pay attention to the actions and activities of the students, and should immediately suppress any rash actions on the part of the students. Likewise, the various local government authorities should co-operate with the educational administrative organs in suppressing academic agitations so as to ensure peace and order; for school discipline must be maintained for the benefit of the youths.

—Kuo Min.

NEEDS OF BRITISH INDUSTRY.

ACCESS TO NEW CAPITAL.

ESSENTIAL STEPS TO BE TAKEN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 11th. The necessity of thoroughly reconditioning the organisation and equipment of British industries is stressed in the final report of the Committee on Industry and Trade established in 1924 under the chairmanship of Sir Arthur Balfour.

The Committee does not believe that any of the principal basic industries are so weakened by the long continued depression as not to have the power within themselves to take the first measures towards their own regeneration.

The report declares that "at all costs the power of access to new capital must be regained, to achieve which measures of financial reconstruction and writing down capital, and amalgamations in order to increase the size of the business unit may be among the essential steps to be taken."

Dealing with Empire markets, the report particularly draws attention to the high value of Imperial preference.

BOARD OF TRADE RETURNS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 12th. The Board of Trade returns for February are:

Imports £91,340,000
Exports £55,665,000

These figures show decreases of £24,714,000 and £11,214,000 respectively compared with January.

THE KING'S GROWING STRENGTH.

EXERCISE OUT OF DOORS.

CIGARETTE IN THE GARDENS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 12th. The King passed a good night and, as the summer-like weather is continuing it is probable that he will again be taken into the grounds of Craigwell House to-day. While yesterday he was wheeled in a bath chair through the gardens overlooking the sea, His Majesty was able to smoke a cigarette.

Brilliant Weather.

For the first time for four months, H.M. the King was out of doors on Tuesday. The weather was brilliantly fine, and this morning advantage was taken of the warm sunshine and the absence of wind to wheel His Majesty in a bath chair round the grounds of Craigwell House, Bognor.

His Majesty was out for an hour and was accompanied by H.M. the Queen, with Sir Stanley Hewitt, his physician, in attendance. It was stated this evening that the King had passed a good day.

THE CHINESE "MISS SHANGHAI."

CHINESE NEWSPAPER'S SEARCH FOR MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL.

The North China Daily News publishes a fascinating photograph of Miss Chow Zeh Bing, who has been adjudged by the Chinese paper, the Eastern Times, to be the most beautiful Chinese lady in Shanghai and granted the title of "Miss Shanghai."

"Miss Shanghai" is a native of Shanghai and is the daughter of a well-known merchant. A young lady with an excellent Chinese education and a good knowledge of English, she has won prizes for her musical and athletic ability.

We are told that the young lady was adjudged for her beauty on the following conditions—She had to be pretty without resorting to paint and powder, have a smiling and dimpled countenance, a face like the seed of a water-melon, eyebrows like the quarter of a moon, good teeth, a handsome nose and pretty ears. Her forehead had to be high, but not too high to disfigure her face, and she had to be of medium height. No mention was made of her hands, ankles, etc.

Miss Chow Zeh Bing passed these requirements and accordingly was made the "most beautiful lady in Shanghai."

Asked by a representative of the North China Daily News what her present intentions were, Miss Chow stated that she hoped to complete her studies. She was engaged to be married shortly but did think that that would interfere with her professional career.

She stated that she had no idea that she would be adjudged the prettiest lady of the port as she considered that many others were far more beautiful.

INDIAN BOMBING TRAGEDY.

COURT MARTIAL OF MAJOR HARRISON.

ACQUITTED OF CULPABLE NEGLIGENCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PESHAWAR, March 12th. Major M. C. C. Harrison, D.S.O., M.C., who was charged with culpable neglect and conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, was acquitted on the first charge, the Court Martial reserving judgment on the second.

Major Harrison, who was in command of the troops who were bombed, gave evidence that he had no reason to suspect danger. The disaster was brought about by a misunderstanding, in consequence of which an R.A.F. plane dropped a bomb in an occupied area at Jamrud, killing three Indian officers and thirteen other ranks.

ST. PETER'S Y.M. CLUB.

A SUBSCRIPTION APPEAL.

OFFICERS FOR CURRENT YEAR.

The second annual meeting of the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club was held on Monday, February 18th, at the Club House. The Very Rev. Dean A. Swann was in the Chair. The following officers were elected for 1929:

President:—The Very Rev. Dean A. Swann.
Vice-Presidents:—Mr. W. L. Patterson, Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam.

Chairman:—Rev. M. V. Halward.
Vice-Chairman:—Mr. E. C. Randall.
Hon. Treasurer:—Mr. E. Manning.

Joint Hon. Secretaries:—Mr. J. C. L. Wong, Mr. Herbert S. Clayton.
Members of the executive Committee:—Rev. N. V. Halward, Mr. B. C. Randall, Mr. E. Manning, Mr. J. C. L. Wong, Mr. H. S. Clayton, Mr. Wm. Gittins, Mr. E. S. Cunningham, Mr. Peter Pan, Mr. D. Trafford, Mr. J. L. Young, Mr. G. S. Ladd, Mr. R. E. G. Leong.

The second annual dinner of the Club was held at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant on Thursday, February 21st. The Very Rev. Dean A. Swann presided over a large attendance of members and friends.

The drawing of the "Zenith" Motor-cycle Raffle took place on the Club premises on Tuesday evening, February 26th. The cycle was won by ticket No. 602 bought by a member on the staff of the Hong Kong Excavation and Pile Driving Co., Ltd.

Marathon Race.

The second annual Hong Kong Marathon Race under the auspices of the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club, will be held on Saturday, March 16th, at 3 p.m. Preparations for this coming event are well in hand and there is every reason to expect a large number of entries from outsiders, and it is to be hoped that members will get up a team to run for their own Club.

Subscriptions.

The official circular goes on to say:—The question of collecting subscriptions from members has always been a problematic one, as members are so numerous and in so many different walks of life. This problem, however, has been partially solved by the timely stepping-in of Mr. E. Manning as Hon. Treasurer of the Club. Members are kindly requested to lighten his duties by giving him every assistance and co-operation. Please send monthly, quarterly, half-yearly, or yearly subscriptions to him at the Club House, or to his office c/o J. D. Hutchison & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong, or else please pay the amount he calls for monthly dues.

The Clubs needs and appreciate your interest and co-operation in every way, so please show your keenness in the doing of the Club by sending in subscriptions promptly, and turning up at the Club House whenever you can afford to spare the time. You will find it really worth your while to visit the Club more often.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSIA, March 11th.

Paris 124.02
Brussels 124.02
Amsterdam 12.11
Berlin 20.44
Copenhagen 18.20
Vienna 24.52
Helsingfors 18.21
Lisbon 10.84
Bucharest 6.71
Buenos Aires 47.11/32
Shanghai 2/8 1/2
New York 1/10 1/32
Geneva 4.85
Milan 92.03
Stockholm 18.16
Oslo 18.19
Prague 18.81
Madrid 32.62
Athens 27.5
Rio 5/1
Bombay 1/5 31/32
Hong Kong 1/1 1/2
Silver, spot & forward 25 3/16

WASHINGTON HOURS CONVENTION.

BRITAIN'S OBJECTIONS STATED.

DANGERS OF AMBIGUITY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, March 11th. Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, going more fully into the whole question of the 49-hour agreement, enumerated the British objections on the score of ambiguity.

He referred at the outset to the inadequate definitions contained in the Convention, such as "hours of work" and "week" and also drew attention to the difficulties to be found in the lines of division concerning industry, commerce and agriculture.

Ambiguities.

How, he asked, were mixed establishments (partly industrial) treated?

Could not forty-eight hours weekly be spread over four or five days?

Sir Arthur also mentioned the difficulties of interpretation insofar as the very small industrial establishments were concerned.

There was also an insufficient distinction drawn between accident and "force majeure" in connection with the circumstances in which extended hours were permissible. He asked if the necessity of finishing a technical process of which the duration could not be determined beforehand was "force majeure"?

What is "Overtime?"

A better description was needed as regards the processes entitled to use a 56-hour week; the definition of overtime was not clear, while the same could be said of the question of making up lost time and the rate of payment therefor.

Article 14, regarding Government suspension of the Convention in the event of national peril, should be more precisely stated and the transport hours problem required constant attention.

If there were ambiguity in an international convention it was open to each nation that ratified it to interpret it as it thought right. It was clear to all who studied the text of the Washington Convention that the important points he had enumerated deserved reconsideration.

Amendment Needed.

How was intermittent work to be defined? What exactly were the limits of overtime as applied to railway workers? Was the Sunday excluded from the word "week" or did it mean the ordinary calendar week of seven days?

Sir Arthur said that if they amended the Convention to cover the difficulties he had pointed out, he would recommend the British Government to ratify it and he was sure they would consent.

The International Labour Office must, not, however, regard those points as a British ultimatum.

Workers' Opposition.

After discussion the German and French employers and the Swedish Government's delegates supported the British proposal for revision of the Washington Convention, but all the workers' delegates opposed it.

The Italian Government delegate said that Italy was prepared to ratify the others did, and the French Minister of Labour urged a compromise.

SIR SIDNEY BARTON'S NEW POST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 11th. His Majesty has approved the appointment of Sir Sidney Barton, H. M. Consul-General in Shanghai, to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Addis Ababa, Abyssinia.

Sir Sidney Barton, K.B.E., C.M.G., who succeeded the late Sir Everard Fraser as Consul-General at Shanghai in 1928, was born in 1878. In 1895 he came to China as a student interpreter, and was employed on special service at Weihaiwei from December, 1899, till October, 1901. He was interpreter to the British Contingent, China World Force, during operations at Tientsin, from June 28th until July 31st, 1900. For his services then he received the China Medal with clasp, and was mentioned in despatches. He was pro-consul at Peking in 1901, and later Vice-consul at Tientsin and Shanghai. In 1911 he was Chinese Secretary at Peking and was awarded the C.M.G. in 1913. In 1917 he was given the local rank of 1st Secretary in the Diplomatic Service and of a Counsellor of Embassy in 1919. He was made a K.B.E. in 1928.

Water Speed Record.

While at Daytona, Major Segrave hopes also to establish a new water speed record in his 1,000 horse-power motor-boat Miss England, which in a trial this week attained 85 miles per hour. Among the spectators of his great drive yesterday was Mrs. Segrave, who was the first to greet him after his success.

PERSIAN AGREEMENT WITH RUSSIA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TEHRAN, March 11th. The Customs Agreement between Russia and Persia which is to hold good for a period of seven years, was signed to-day.

SEGRAVE'S GREAT FEAT.

RECORD ESTABLISHED UNDER DIFFICULTIES.

CAR AIMED LIKE A RIFLE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 11th. Major Segrave, the famous British motorist, yesterday established by a margin of nearly 94 miles an hour a new land speed record, attaining in the two runs over a measured mile an average speed of 231.36346 miles an hour. He accomplished this brilliant achievement in his all-British machine, "the Golden Arrow," on the sands at Daytona Beach, Florida, before 100,000 spectators, who gave him a wildly enthusiastic reception.

The conditions were none too favourable for the attempt. Visibility was so poor that two powerful arc lights were erected, one at each end of the measured mile, and mist was continually drifting across the course. The wind also made the sand rather bumpy, and at one moment the car struck a pool of water which caused the tail of the car to twist.

Telescopic Sights.

Major Segrave in view of the poor light used the telescopic sights which had been fitted, and resembled ordinary rifle sights attached to the car bonnet, aiming the car through these at the huge arc lights. He took a four-mile start before entering the actual course, and the speed which he travelled was such that the vast crowd of spectators on one side of the track appeared to him like a solid black wall while he says that the flag posts on the other side resembled a straight line drawn across a piece of paper.

Jumps into the Air.

The sea had left several gullies in the sand which caused the car to jump right into the air and involved a tremendous additional strain, while it was in additional buffeted by a cross wind. In the first attempt he covered the mile in 15.55 seconds at a speed of 231.5125 miles an hour. His run back took 15.57 seconds, his speed being 231.2 miles an hour. The average of these two constitutes his record.

Major Segrave says his car is capable of an even higher speed and he will make a further attempt should his fresh record be broken while he is at Daytona.

Previous Records.

The previous record of 207.55 miles per hour was set up by the American, Ray Keech, driving Mr. White's Triplex at Daytona Beach last April. Before this the English motorist, Captain Malcolm Campbell, who himself intends an attempt on the record at Venetian Fan in South Africa, had established a record of 206.96 miles per hour at Daytona Beach in February of the same year. In March 1927 Major Segrave had accomplished a speed of 203.79 miles per hour at Daytona Beach.

It is expected that the huge 36-cylinder American Triplex owned by Mr. White will make an attempt to beat Segrave's record to-day.

The "Golden Arrow."

Major Segrave, after his successful run, paid a warm tribute to Captain Irving, the designer of his machine, and also to the sportsmanship of his American rivals and the spectators. Segrave's car has a 12-cylinder Napier-Lion engine of the same type as that used in the Schneider Trophy race by the winning British seaplane. It develops 920 horse-power and has no supercharger.

Captain Irving was responsible for the design, and the body consists of three stream-line forms, one enclosing the engine and gearbox between the two propeller shafts and the driver. The two outer casings stream-line the wheels and carry between them the radiator. The tyres used in the test had a very thin smooth tread to reduce stresses, and were calculated to last for little longer than the probable duration of the test.

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THE LAST TEST MATCH.

BRADMAN'S FINE CENTURY.

RECORD FIFTH WICKET PARTNERSHIP.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MELBOURNE, March 12th.
It was scorchingly hot when Australia resumed their innings on a fast pitch on Tuesday, and the batting was purely defensive. The score crept up very slowly by singles and twos, and two off drives to the boundary by Ryder were the only hits of note in the first hour. During this period Ryder completed 1,000 runs during his career in Test matches. 200 was reached after 321 minutes' batting and one minute later Woodfull reached his century. Then in the fifth ball of the last over before lunch Ryder attempted a drive and put up a catch to Tate in the gully. His innings had lasted 112 minutes and contained three 4's.

The lunch hour was a fateful period for Australia, for immediately the game was resumed and before a run had been scored, Woodfull was smartly taken low down in the gully by Geary off Larwood. Woodfull's 102 runs had taken him 325 minutes to collect, and included only three 4's. It had been a wonderful exhibition of patience and impenetrable defence.

Expensive Mistakes.

Fairfax and Bradman then came together and remained at the wickets until close of play. Both however had escaped in the earlier part of their innings which look like costing England dear. When Fairfax had scored 14, Bradman played a ball towards cover and called for a run. Hobbs rushed in but failed to get his hand to the ball, and Fairfax, who should have been run out by a couple of yards, got home safely. The other chance occurred when Bradman's score stood at 46. He put up a ball to Geary fielding at mid-on, but just at that moment the brim of the fielder's sun-hat blew down over his eyes, and he was unaided. Hammond had to endure a good deal of barracking during the afternoon on account of his employment of the off theory. Tea was taken with the score at 290, Bradman being 62 and Fairfax 23.

Record Partnership.

30,000 spectators saw 300 reached after 441 minutes. The rate of scoring had increased considerably since lunch and the last 100 occupied only 116 minutes. Bradman and Fairfax by confident batting continued to add runs until they had established a record fifth wicket partnership for Australia against England, beating the 142 made by Gregory and Darling on the same ground in 1894. 350 was put up after 493 minutes' play and then Bradman received a great ovation on reaching his 100 in 172 minutes. Immediately afterwards Fairfax achieved an invaluable 50 by solid cricket. Stumps were drawn early owing to bad light.

The fifth wicket partnership has so far yielded 184 runs in 177 minutes, and Australia are now 153 runs behind with six wickets still in hand.

Score:—

England—1st Innings.

Hobbs, lb.w. b Ryder	142
D. R. Jardine, c Oldfield, b Wall	19
Hammond, c Fairfax, b Wall	28
Tyldesley, c Hornibrook, b Ryder	31
Duckworth, c Fairfax, b Hornibrook	12
Headren, c Hornibrook, b Fairfax	95
Leyland, c Fairfax, b Oxenham	137
Larwood, b Wall	4
Geary, b Hornibrook	15
Tate, c sub. b Hornibrook	13
J. C. White, not out	9
Extras	13
Total	519

Fall of the wickets:—

1/64; 2/146; 3/235; 4/240; 5/260; 6/401; 7/409; 8/426; 9/470; 10/519.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Wall	49	8	123	3
Hornibrook	48	8	142	3
Oxenham	45.1	15	98	1
Grimmett	25	11	40	0
Fairfax	27	4	94	1
Ryder	16	5	29	2
Kippax	3	1	2	0

Australia—1st Innings.

W. M. Woodfull, c Gravy, b Larwood	102
A. Jackson, run out	30
A. T. Kippax, c Duckworth, b White	35
J. Ryder, c Tate, b Hammond	30
D. Bradman, not out	109
A. G. Fairfax, not out	50
Extras	9
Total (for 4 wts.)	367

Fall of the wickets:—

1/54; 2/143; 3/203; 4/203.

HONG KONG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

CHAIRMAN AND MR. J. M. DA ROCHA DISAGREE.

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1).

An important matter, and one full of technicalities and difficulties, is the question of introducing regulations in Hong Kong governing the construction and survey of local shipping and small craft on lines similar to the Board of Trade rules at Home. It is realised that Board of Trade regulations as they stand could hardly be made applicable to local conditions, because the type of craft, cargo and passenger trade all differ from those existing at Home. After exchange of correspondence with the Government, the Chamber has now set up a special Sub-Committee of experts, while the Government has promised whatever technical assistance is required with a view to drawing up a set of regulations suitable for local conditions, which will be recommended by neighbouring countries but at the same time will not impose unnecessary hardships on craft under local registration, or place Hong Kong at a disadvantage compared with neighbouring ports.

"Across the Harbour."

The question of a vehicular ferry across the Harbour appears to be becoming somewhat of a hardy annual. As long ago as 1922, the Chamber were urgently requested by the Government to submit their views on the matter. Development of any scheme was delayed by the troubles of 1925/1926 but there should be no cause for further delay and the need for a vehicular ferry for both cars and lorries is only too obvious. At the end of last year, the Government issued a sessional paper giving the results of their enquiries. This is printed in *extenso* in the full Report and outlines a scheme calling for the outlay of a large amount of capital, and a ferry service on such an elaborate basis as appears to put the proposition beyond the bounds of possibility as a commercial undertaking for many years to come. It is to be hoped that the Government, in the public interest, will do all they can to facilitate matters. This aspect of the subject has been mentioned at the recent annual meeting of the Star Ferry Company.

Shortsighted Policy in Export Trade.

During the past year, export trade generally has caused the Committee some concern. Short-sighted means of endeavouring to reduce costs to meet markets have led to malpractices and caused serious complaints from consuming centres. Adulteration of Wood Oil and Essential Oils, poor quality ginger, lowering of the standard of packing and quality of rice, have been the order of the day, resulting in loss of prestige and trade, while claims have been of common occurrence. This is only in keeping with the history of China's export, and calls to mind the loss of the Tea trade in Canton, failure to improve culture of Silk, troubles over export standards of Cassia and practically every other article that can be mentioned. I would issue a very strong warning, not only to Chinese dealers, but also to exporters, to see that quality, packing and standards are maintained at a level that will do credit to Hong Kong and South China. I beg to propose that the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the Chamber as circulated be adopted.

MR. J. A. PLUMMER.

Mr. J. A. Plummer, in seconding, said:—I desire to associate myself with the Chairman's reference to the disaster at the King Edward Hotel. I must congratulate our hard working Committee on what it has been able to achieve during the year. I can only hope that due weight will be given to its recommendations on the several important local matters which are still pending, particularly with regard to the proposed revision of the Stamp Ordinance.

The accounts for the year show a very satisfactory return. Although we are warned to expect increased expenditure in the future, I still hope that means will be found to reduce the subscription, which is undoubtedly high, and to bring more members to the Chamber.

The incorporation of the Chamber under the Hong Kong Companies Ordinances is undoubtedly a wise measure and one which I personally advocated some two years ago. I am very glad it is a fact accomplished.

It must be very pleasing to you, Gentlemen, that our Chairman is able to adopt such an optimistic tone in reference to Chinese affairs and trade generally, although I am personally inclined to think that progress has been made, and too little upon what still remains to be accomplished, before merchant, either Chinese or foreign, can trade freely with that sense of security which is so essential to prosperity.

That the Nationalist authority is more nominal than real, I fear, only too true, while signs are not lacking that things are not nearly so happy and peaceful in political circles as may appear on the surface.

Our Chairman touches very lightly on the subject of irregular taxation, extortion, bribery, and corruption, which I am sorry to say is still rife, while no mention whatever is made of the growing evil of smuggling.

In Hong Kong, where British merchants do not come into close touch with these irregularities, it may be difficult to realize the paralyzing effect which they have upon trade, but I feel convinced that, if the present unsatisfactory conditions continue much longer, we shall hear less of the wonderful recuperative powers of the Chinese.

Britain's Wrong Impression of China.

Unfortunately, the most mildly optimistic statements from an authoritative source such as this Chamber, coupled with often more than optimistic utterance by Nationalist leaders and others, frequently give people at home a totally wrong impression of the true state of affairs in China, and although I am no pessimist I fear it will be many years yet before we can look forward to a return of anything like normal trading conditions.

That the Chinese Language School is being well supported, and has shown a surplus for the year under review, is indeed very gratifying, and I trust that there is no longer any fear that the Chamber will abandon these useful classes which are so eminently suitable for merchants wishing to acquire a useful working knowledge of the language.

Local Trade Statistics.

I am also very glad to hear that the question of local trade statistics is still to the fore, although the irretrievable loss of statistics for the past three years, when they would have been of inestimable value, is much to be deplored.

The unsatisfactory state of the export trade, arising as it does from causes which are avoidable, and a short-sighted policy on the part of export merchants generally, is a matter for concern, and I hope that the Chamber may find a means of maintaining standards, particularly in rice, for which the Chamber issues certificates of quality. It is essential that standards should be clearly set forth and strictly adhered to. I now have pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts.

MR. J. M. DA ROCHA DISAGREES.

Mr. J. M. Da Rocha:—"With all consideration for the views of the Committee in reference to the export trade of the Colony last year, I think that in a laudable desire to raise the standard of delivery you have come to conclusions incompatible with the facts of the case. Things have not been as well as they might have been, and might be improved, but there is a wide gap between an isolated instance of deliberate bad delivery, and a sustained resort to malpractices in order to meet markets, which your remarks indicate."

"There have been cases where an erroneous interpretation of a contract, or a lack of vigilance enabling an unscrupulous supplier to substitute cargo, have led to complaints and claims, but I think it only fair to state that claims from these causes have been extremely few."

"Contrary to your views, Mr. Chairman, in my opinion there has been generally speaking a marked improvement during 1928 in quality, packing, and standards of exports. In wood-oil I have it on the authority of a firm doing more than half the export of this commodity from Hong Kong that claims have been rare. It came to my knowledge from another source that the quality exported has improved to such a gratifying extent that Hong Kong has become a serious competitor of Hankow."

"Cassia-oil has been the subject of much investigation and adverse comment, but I would draw your attention to the statements of local analysts, referred to in the Chamber's report, who have expressed doubts whether any alcohol was present in Hong Kong shipments to America."

Quality of Ginger Improved.

"The quality of ginger has improved, even of the old crop, and it remains to be seen whether the improvement will reduce claims which, in this commodity, as with others, have coincided with falling prices to the extent of raising dissatisfaction in the minds of dealers with London arbitration awards. Conditions in the rice trade, also, an improvement as to quality, weight, and packing, and whilst admitting the need for further improvement, my close connection with this trade has not revealed any retrograde step during 1928."

"So much for the technical side of the Colony's export business, in respect of which I feel your strictures are entirely unwarranted, and on behalf of the general body of exporters, no less than the Chinese dealers, I must protest against the derogatory expressions from the Chair."

"Insofar, however, as your well-meant warning is calculated to check possible abuses in the future, I think Chinese dealers and foreign exporting firms should take heed of the possible consequences to their trade if the greatest care be not observed in respect of delivery. In this, the Chamber can assist materially by requiring of their surveyors in the future the same strict view of their duties which they have adopted in the past."

Indiscriminate Competition.

"There are other points in the export business, Sir, which you have not touched upon, and which are not only important in themselves but their proper appreciation will help our friends, the Chinese dealers, towards the constant improvement in standard of delivery we are all aiming for. I refer to the indiscriminate competition which can obtain a profit only by taking a position on the particular cargo deals in, or by snatching a fraction in exchange, or even from a long-spread-out freight rebate."

"If the trade requires speculation at all, which I doubt, I think buyers are obtaining all the benefit of the risks undertaken by exporters, risks which may leave them on the wrong side of the book, and at best not benefit them more than to the extent of the moderate commission they are entitled to anyhow."

"It appears to me that a realisation of these factors by all parties concerned will not only enable exporters to obtain a fair rate of commission, but also to pass a part of it to their suppliers in consideration of the maintenance always of the best possible standard." (Applause.)

Mr. da Rocha Secures a Supporter.

Mr. S. M. Churn rose to support Mr. da Rocha's speech. He said he had listened with great interest to his address and felt inclined to agree with him.

The Chairman thanked the speakers for their remarks and said they would be investigated by the incoming Committee.

"What I meant really was a serious warning because we have been inundated this year with claims in spite of your remarks," he said, "I think I was justified in calling a warning to trade."

He reminded the meeting that the General Committee were elected on the introduction of the Articles of the Incorporated Chambers, and their appointment accordingly stands until the next annual general meeting.

Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, were re-appointed as auditors, and the election of Mr. J. E. Joseph, Messrs. Wallace Harper & Co., Ltd., and Messrs. Sing Hing & Co. to membership was confirmed. The meeting then closed.

THE NEW CHAIRMAN.

At a Committee meeting held subsequent to the annual meeting, Mr. Neilage S. Brown was elected Chairman of the Chamber for the ensuing year and Mr. B. D. F. Beith, Vice-Chairman.

THOSE PRESENT.

The following were present:—Mr. T. G. Weall (Messrs. Doddwell & Co., Ltd.), Chairman of the Chamber, presided and the following members of the General Committee were present: Mr. C. Gordon Mackie (Vice-Chairman), the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, Mr. B. D. F. Beith, Mr. Neilage S. Brown, Mr. Paul Lauder, Mr. T. E. Pearce and Mr. F. A. Perry. Co-opted members:—The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton and Capt. R. H. Campbell, M.C., R.M.

The following members were re-presented:—Mr. J. E. Joseph and Mr. M. P. Talati (individual members); Messrs. J. M. Alves & Co., Ltd. (Mr. J. M. Alves), Messrs. Arculli Bros. (Mr. Omar el Arculli), Messrs. W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd. (Mr. W. S. Bailey), The Bank Line Ltd. (Mr. W. G. Goggin), Messrs. N. Y. Carl Boediker & Co. (Mr. G. Boediker), Messrs. Bornemann & Co. (Mr. F. Ortlepp), Messrs. Bradley & Co., Ltd. (Mr. J. A. Plummer), The British-American Tobacco Co., Ltd. (Mr. F. A. Perry), Messrs. Butterfield & Swire (Mr. N. S. Brown), The Chartered Bank (Mr. A. H. Ferguson), Messrs. Chau Yue Teng (Mr. Chau Yue Teng), Messrs. Connell Brothers Co. (Mr. A. Morley Horder and Mr. C. Martin), Messrs. Deacons (The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton), The Fire Insurance Association of Hong Kong (Mr. A. Ritchie), Messrs. Fung Tang (Mr. Fung Kung Ua), Messrs. Gibb Livingstone & Co., Ltd. (Mr. C. Gordon Mackie and Mr. L. J. Davies), Messrs. Gilman & Co., Ltd. (Mr. G. Miskin), Messrs. T. M. Gregory & Co. (Mr. H. M. Gregory), Messrs. T. E. Griffith, Ltd. (Mr. T. C. T. Beck), The Holland China Trading Co. (Mr. F. Lafeur), The Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd. (Mr. F. R. Marsh), The Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation (The Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes), Messrs. J. D. Hutchinson & Co. (Mr. T. E. Pearce and Mr. F. S. Cassidy), The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Mr. R. Sutherland), Messrs. Ip Tak & Co. (Mr. Tam Wing Kwong), Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews (Mr. A. Ritchie), Messrs. W. R. Loxley & Co. (Mr. W. L. Patten), Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co. (Mr. C. Gordon Mackie), Mr. M. T. Johnson and Mr. A. E. Martin, The Marine

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LOCAL FOOTBALL.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

The following games will be played to-day:—

United Services.

JUNIOR.

(Kick off 2.30 p.m.)

H.M.S. Petersfield v. K.O.S.B. Navy ground, Happy Valley. Referee: Cpl. Lees.

(Kick off 4.30 p.m.)

Small Units v. H.M.S. Iroquois, Sookunpoo ground. Referee: Cpl. Hunt.

Extra time, in each game, will be played if necessary.

HOME FOOTBALL.

LEAGUE RESULTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 11th.
Two football matches in the English League were decided to-day. West Bromwich Albion, playing at home, lost to Bradford by one goal (1-2) in the Second Division. In Division III. (Southern Section) Luton drew at home with Plymouth, each side scoring two goals.

Insurance Association of Hong Kong and Canton (Mr. A. Ritchie), Messrs. Maxim & Co. (Mr. J. Ribeiro), The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Ltd. (Mr. R. Inouye), Messrs. N. S. Moss & Co. (Mr. W. Goldenberg), Messrs. A. B. Moulder & Co., Ltd. (Mr. Wong Oi Kut), The National City Bank of New York (Mr. O. D. Brown), The Netherlands-India Commercial Bank (Mr. G. N. de Man), The Netherlands Trading Society (Mr. O. Steenstra), The Nippon Yusen Kaisha (Mr. Y. Uchida), Messrs. Pentreath & Co. (Mr. C. P. Marcel), The P. & O. Banking Corporation (Mr. C. Champkin), Messrs. Reiss, Massey & Co., Ltd. (Mr. J. Ormiston), Messrs. Robertson, Wilson & Co., Ltd. (Mr. G. W. Sewell), Messrs. J. M. da Rocha & Co. (Mr. J. M. da Rocha), Messrs. Silva-Netto & Co. (Mr. A. F. B. Silva-Netto), Messrs. Sing Hing & Co. (Mr. N. C. Horne), The South British Insurance Co., Ltd. (Mr. F. S. Harrison), Messrs. Thoresen & Co. (Mr. B. O. Thoresen) and Mr. P. Kristofersen), The Union Trading Co., Ltd. (Mr. S. M. Churn), Messrs. Harry Wicking & Co. (Mr. H. Owen Hughes), Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist (Mr. D. H. Blake), with the Secretary (Mr. M. F. Key).

AMATEUR BILLIARDS RECORD.

S. Lee (London) beat M. A. Boggs (Manchester) in the British amateur billiards championship semi-final at Thurston Hall, by 2,000 to 1,744. Breaks: Boggs 248 (a record for the championship under existing rules), Lee 116 (full) and 131.

Willie Smith 17,570, beat S. Smith (rec. 10,000) 19,670 in their limit match at Burroughes Hall. Break: W. Smith 650 (full), 184, 900, 531; S. Smith 128.

L. Steeples (Sheffield) won the amateur Snooker's pool championship by defeating F. Whitall (Birmingham) by five games to four, in the final at Birmingham.

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VICTORIA DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

TO BE AMALGAMATED WITH CHURCH MISSIONARY
ASSOCIATION.

The chief business at the annual general meeting of the Victoria Diocesan Association, which was held yesterday at 5.30 p.m. in the Cathedral Hall, was the confirmation of the proposed amalgamation of the V.D.A. and the Church Missionary Association.

The Right Reverend the Bishop of Victoria was in the chair, supported by Mrs. Black and the Rev. N. V. Halward (Joint Hon. Secretaries), Lieut-Col. T. A. Robertson (Hon. Treasurer), the Dean of St. John's Cathedral, and Mr. P. S. Cassidy.

The Rev. N. V. Halward proposing the adoption of the annual report touched on several points of interest and asked for a special vote of thanks for Mrs. Hynes for her splendid work in connection with the Christmas Gift Fund. A vote of thanks to Mrs. Wolfe, Colonel Robertson, the Rev. N. V. Halward, and Mr. Cassidy was then proposed by the Bishop.

The report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

Amalgamation with C.M.A.

The Rev. W. W. Rogers read the following resolutions:-

- 1.-That this annual meeting approves of the amalgamation of the Church Missionary Association and the Victoria Diocesan Association into a single organisation to be known as "The Victoria Diocesan and Missionary Association."
- 2.-That a meeting to organise the Victoria Diocesan and Missionary Association be held on Tuesday, April 9th, at the time fixed for the Victoria Diocesan Association "At Home."
- 3.-That this annual meeting provisionally approves of the draft constitution of the V.D.M.A.
- 4.-That the existing Victoria Diocesan Association Council and Standing Committee continue to function for the time being until the new organisation is initiated.

Addressing the meeting, as the proposer of the resolutions, Mr. Rogers said that the proposed amalgamation was a matter of great importance to the Church. The Church Missionary Association and the Victoria Diocesan Association were both vigorous organisations and were doing great things in the Diocese. The C.M.A. was the older association having been formed in 1839 by Bishop Hoare. It drew all its support from the Colony, and worked on the recognised methods of literature. Funds were raised by various means, and the China Exhibition held last year had been first suggested by the Committee of the C.M.A. The Missionary aspect was particularly stressed in the work of this Association.

The V.D.A. was founded by Bishop Duppuy in 1821, and the bulk of its support came from Home. Both Societies raised a similar annual sum in the Colony, and they both covered similar ground in their work. A good deal of committee work was necessary to prevent overlapping, and he felt that there were strong reasons in favour of the amalgamation and no weighty reason against. He believed that they would be able to accomplish more working as one society than they had in the past as two.

Professor Foster, seconding the motion, confirmed what the proposer had said and added that he felt that any measure which brought about unity and prevented overlapping was to be desired. It would give a new importance, unity and strength to both Societies.

The motion was adopted unanimously.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

The Bishop of Victoria, the Rev. C. R. Duppuy, addressing the meeting said:- Fellow members of the Victoria Diocesan Association, I want this afternoon to speak in a three-fold capacity as President of the Victoria Diocesan Association, of the Church Missionary Association, and of the Diocesan Conference.

There are three points I desire to make:-

- 1.-That the Church Missionary Association and the Victoria Diocesan Association are organisations of proved worth.
- 2.-That having weighed as well as I can all the facts of the case I am in favour of the proposed amalgamation.
- 3.-That the proposed new Association, the Victoria Diocesan and Missionary Association, has before it great possibilities of usefulness both as (a) a valuable adjunct to the Church of England Diocesan Conference with which I hope there will always be the closest possible liaison, and (b) as an association with its own life, the aim of which is to help the Diocese as a whole with a distinct link both with the Chinese as well as the English Church in the Diocese.

C.M.A. AND THE V.D.A.

As this is the annual meeting of the V.D.A., and perhaps its last meeting under its present organisation, I shall specially emphasise the work that has been done by the V.D.A. during the past eight years. The Church Missionary Association.

But before doing this I want to stress what Mr. Rogers has referred to, namely, the valuable work done by the C.M.A. since its inception, exactly thirty years ago, at the instigation of my honoured predecessor, the late Dr. Hoare, fourth Bishop of this Diocese.

The C.M.A. has had for its aim: the spreading of Missionary information, stimulating interest in work and collecting funds for the support of Church Missionary work in the Diocese—and it would be hard indeed to estimate the value of the work accomplished.

The average annual amount contributed, taking the whole period, has been about \$1,200 a year and the total something like \$35,000.

It is true that it may be truly claimed that more than any other single agency the C.M.A. has kept the missionary spirit alive in this Diocese.

The Victoria Diocesan Association.

New let me turn to the Victoria Diocesan Association, under the auspices of which we meet to-day. The V.D.A. was founded nearly nine years ago on June 24th, 1820, on the day of my consecration as Bishop.

Its stated objects are:-

- 1.-To band together all who will interest themselves in the work of the Diocese.
- 2.-To circulate information and to stimulate interest.
- 3.-To call forth prayer and gifts for the Diocese.

but, in a single sentence, we may say that its aim has been to foster the work of this Diocese as a whole and to promote a Diocesan spirit among us. And I want now to try to show that it has, in a real measure, effectively discharged this purpose.

What Then Has the V.D.A. Done for the Diocese?

It has helped to promote a diocesan spirit and diocesan work in the following ways:-

- 1.-It has had an educative value in training a number of people to know something of the different sections of work in the Diocese. I think I may fairly claim that from its inception the V.D.A. Committee has been a really representative one. The Bishop and Archdeacon have from the first been members and among its members have always been the Clergymen in charge of the different Churches of England Churches, and those representing such other interests as Educational Institutions, the Church Missionary Society, and the Missions to Seamen; while there has been throughout a strong lay representation and more recently the Chung Hwa Shing Kung Hui has had representatives on the Council.

2.-It has fostered the diocesan spirit by the production of a diocesan magazine, the *Outpost*, which has also a local supplement issued three times a year. The *Outpost*, the Newsletter and the Supplement in all have seven issues each year so that in this way regular news of the Diocese is brought before people as well as occasional articles in the different Church magazines. The V.D.A. has also been responsible for a Manual of Intercession for the Diocese.

3.-There has been the educational work done by the half-yearly "At Homes" which have been fully reported in the Press, dealing with subjects of general interest such as that which will be held on Tuesday, April 9th, on "Remedies for Racial Friction."

4.-The V.D.A. has been (a) a means of linking up past and present residents in Hong Kong and elsewhere in the Diocese, both by the annual re-unions held in London each year and by the securing of ex-members of the V.D.A. in Hong Kong as workers at Home on behalf of the Diocese. For instance, two of the keenest workers at Home at the present time are Sir Claud Severn and Archdeacon Barnett, while on the Committee at Home are a former Bishop of this Diocese and two former Chaplains of the Cathedral, to say nothing of a considerable body of lay helpers, many of whom derived their interest in the Diocese largely through the V.D.A. in Hong Kong; (b) and again the V.D.A. has been a valuable agency in linking up different congregations in this place—helping to unite the congregational elements in a larger whole. It has by this means truly helped to foster a diocesan spirit.

5.-Again it has promoted a spirit of service among us by means of such an agency as the Hospital Supplies Group which has helped the hospital of this Diocese in a way that you can only appreciate by visiting the hospitals themselves. And there have been other activities of a like kind.

6.-Then there has been the direct financial help given towards such objects as:-

- (a) New Churches and other buildings—such as the Church House, Canton, All Saint's Church, Homun-tin, repairs to the Churches in Pakhoi and Limchow.
- (b) Endowment and Pension Funds for the Chinese clergy (\$3,600).
- (c) The training of students for the Ministry.
- (d) The supply of literature both for free distribution and for a Christmas Gift of books to the Chinese clergy each year.
- (e) Diocesan travelling expenses.
- (f) Miscellaneous objects, such as the salaries of these Bible Women (through an ear-marked gift from Southport).

7.-Above all the V.D.A. has made provision for two diocesan workers, whose offices are, I am convinced, indispensable if the work of the Diocese is to be satisfactorily carried on:-(A) A Diocesan Chaplain whose functions have been (a) to work with the Bishop at the central work of the Diocese; (b) The Diocesan Chaplain has to help in production of literature, the *Outpost* with its supplement and with a regular contribution towards "The Church Overseas," the Missionary Magazine of the Church of England, and has also to supply the information required by other official organisations of our Church in England; (c) Again there is touch to be maintained with workers, interviews to be arranged and so forth; (d) Fourthly, there is pastoral work—regular visits to be paid to the outposts and not a little help given at St. Peter's Church, Hong Kong.

(B) With regard to the Diocesan Secretary, in addition to all the routine work of a Secretary there are diocesan archives to be kept. It is the V.D.A. which has made provision both for the Chaplain and the Diocesan Secretary.

"If you will study back reports you will see that in all \$28,000 has passed through the local V.D.A. apart from the provision for the Chaplain's stipend and also apart from something like \$500 to \$600 a year for Christmas gifts. \$28,000 to some of you may not seem a vast sum but with such a sum carefully used much may be accomplished in a Diocese such as this. Thus, in the matter of finance, as well as in the other ways recited above, I am sure that you will be convinced that the V.D.A. has played an indispensable part in the promotion of the work of this Diocese.

The Proposed Amalgamation of the V.D.A. and C.M.A.

Now let me turn to my second point, the proposed amalgamation of the V.D.A. and the C.M.A. which is before us for decision to-day.

I think I may claim to have shown that the C.M.A. and the V.D.A. are organisations of proved worth.

The heart of the question now is whether the combined organisation of the V.D.A. and the C.M.A. can effect what the two organisations working independently have accomplished.

As you have heard, the proposal before us is that we should somewhat enlarge the scope of the V.D.A. so as to emphasize both the diocesan and the missionary aspects of the work, and also that we should include service in its list of activities so that the three objects of the new Association are:-

- 1.-To band together all who will interest themselves in the work of the Diocese and in the missionary work of the Church generally.
- 2.-To circulate information and to stimulate interest.
- 3.-To call forth prayer, service and gifts for the diocese and for the missionary work of the Church.

It is also proposed that the title shall be "The Victoria Diocesan and Missionary Association." The V.D.M.A. will be linked up with the V.D.A. in London so that members on leaving the Colony will be automatically transferred to the V.D.A. in England if they so wish.

Our hope is that within this one organisation will be continued the distinctive contributions both of the V.D.A. and the C.M.A.

If this proposal is agreed to, then at the meeting on April 9th the local V.D.A. and the C.M.A. will cease to exist and in their place will be created the V.D.M.A. into which it is hoped that all those who have previously been interested in one or other organisation will throw their full strength, so as to make it in very deed a living association which shall count among its members all those who desire to promote the work of God in this Diocese and the missionary work of the Church generally.

The Victoria Diocesan and Missionary ASSN.

And this brings me to my last point. The V.D.M.A. will, I hope, be definitely linked up with both the Church of England Diocesan Conference and with the Church in the Diocese. That is, I hope it will continue to have in increasing numbers both Chinese as well as European members and be well as a large way a meeting ground for both sections of our Church.

To the Executive Council of the Church of England Diocesan Conference the new association must be linked by the closest possible liaison. For myself I should like to feel that the V.D.M.A. could be recognised as a sort of general diocesan and missionary sub-committee of the Executive Council.

The Executive Council will itself have a big task before it during the next few years in not only establishing on a firm basis Conference and the various related organisations which will be created if and when the Church of England Diocesan Ordinance comes into operation, but in extending the Church's work amongst the English speaking people in the Colony and endowing St. Peter's Church which at present is in an insecure condition financially.

The Executive Council might from time to time make suggestions for the consideration of the V.D.M.A. as to work requiring to be done. But while the Executive Council in its Executive capacity is limited by its constitution to the work of the English Church, V.D.M.A. would

seek to be the handmaid both of the English and the Chinese Churches in this Diocese.

I may add here in a parenthesis that I hope a day may come when it may be possible to have one Synod for the whole Diocese, but before this can be much careful work must be done by the proposed Council of Co-operation.

We can only go a step at a time and the emphasis may shift as time flows on, but as I try to visualise the immediate future it seems to me that on some such lines as these we might begin our work.

Proposed Constitution.

The Rev. N. V. Halward then read the draft of the proposed constitution of the Victoria Diocesan and Missionary Association (the amalgamated association) which was adopted.

Thanks to the Bishop.

Mr. P. S. Cassidy then proposed a vote of thanks to the Bishop on whose shoulders, he said, a very heavy burden had fallen, both with regard to that amalgamation which they had just passed, and the new constitution of the Church. He felt too, that special thanks were due to the group secretaries, who had a very great deal of work to do. (Applause.)

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FAVOURITES WIN IN DOUBLES.

An interesting tie in the Open Singles Championship of the Colony between L. Goldman, and J. A. Cassumbhoy was decided yesterday. An even struggle took place which ended in a victory for Goldman by the odd set, the scores in his favour being 6-4, 2-6, 6-2, 2-6 and 6-4.

The winner is well-known in sporting circles and has been a prominent figure in Shanghai for some years. This is his first appearance in the local Championship. He returned to Hong Kong the day before the match, and had little practice in Shanghai, while he was away. He naturally showed some signs of stiffness, but played a sound all round game, and is to be congratulated on his success.

Keen Play Seen.

The result has far reaching effects, as the surviving player of the tie is expected to go a long way in the event. Goldman now meets J. G. Lewis in the second round and should win. Cheng Chi Wang will meet the winner.

Yesterday's match was productive of some very fine play, and towards the end it became exciting. Both played an all-round game and were somewhat similar in styles and tactics.

Goldman showed himself the stronger, and appeared to have more in reserve towards the end, he proved to be the cooler player, also. Cassumbhoy perhaps did not show as good form as on the previous day against the Rumanians, but at times played in spectacular manner, especially when at the net. His judgment at times was, however, faulty.

Struggle for Supremacy.

Goldman won the first set after ten games, but his opponent retaliated by winning the second set. Steady play followed. Goldman was surer of his strokes, and took the next set comfortably. Cassumbhoy then asserted himself, and working his way up to the net on numerous occasions, he had the Shanghai player repeatedly beaten. He was undoubtedly the better of the two in the fourth set, which he won.

An exciting struggle for the final set followed. Cassumbhoy, opening strongly, broke through his opponent's service, but failed to hold his own. Both then went all out to win, and keen play ensued. A ding-dong struggle was seen, and the score reached 4 all, Goldman leading all the way. He then drew upon his reserve and ended the match by taking the next two games.

Doubles Matches.

Several matches were decided in the Open Doubles. Major Lucas and Dr. Tottenham accounted for Lu Tak Lam and Lui Kwong Tsun, making a great recovery in the second set after being 2-3 down. The Lo brothers had little difficulty in disposing of the Greens, while Ng Sze Kwong and Ho Ka Lau had matters all their own way against Yvanovich and Barretto.

Club Singles.

The detailed scores follow:—

L. Goldman beat J. Cassumbhoy 6-4, 2-6, 6-2, 2-6, 6-4.
J. S. McEachran beat E. F. Fincher 6-3, 6-0, 6-4.

Open Doubles.

Major Lucas and Dr. Tottenham beat Lu Tak Lam and Lui Kwong Tsun 6-2, 6-3, 6-1.
M. K. Lo and M. W. Lo beat S. E. Green and D. S. Green 6-2, 6-0, 6-3.

Ho Ka Lau and Ng Sze Kwong beat V. Yvanovich and O. Barretto 6-1, 6-2, 6-0.

Handicap Singles "B."

M. D. Scott (owe 2/6) beat C. Stigter (owe 2/6) 4-6, 9-7, 6-2.

Handicap Doubles.

J. H. Ashworth and H. A. Mills (rec. 5/6) beat A. H. Crook and O. C. Womack (rec. 3/4, 7-5, 6-1).

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Open Doubles.
E. O. Fincher and E. F. Fincher v. J. Leonard and G. Bodiker.
L. Goldman and J. S. McEachran v. A. D. Humphreys and R. K. Valentine.

Handicap Singles "A."

O. C. Womack (rec. 3/6) v. O. E. C. Marton (owe 3/6).
Handicap Singles "B."
A. C. I. Bowker (owe 2/6) v. P. E. Barker (rec. 4/0).

HONG KONG LADIES' HOCKEY CLUB.

The following team has been chosen to represent the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club in a match against the K.B.S.F.P.A. (men's section) on the Hong Kong Hockey Club ground at King's Park, on Saturday, March 16th, at 3.30 p.m.
F. M. Stevenson, E. S. Laing, M. W. Wallace, M. B. Bird, E. R. Bell, A. Owen-Hughes, Mrs. M. J. Jarvis, E. Baker, D. F. Stanton, M. McNeillie, M. Hanson.
Reserves: E. Adair and E. Blackburn.

Money and Markets

CANTON TRADE NOTES.

MORE SILVER FROM AMERICA.

According to common report in banking circles 1,340,000 ounces of silver-bullion is expected from the United States by one of the "President's" boats.

The Waichow Firewood Merchants' Guild have complained to the Canton Guild about the imposition of the tax farmers at Hoyuen in the East River district. At a Guild Conference it was decided that Hoyuen's precedent was a very dangerous one and that other collectors would be following suit if not checked, and the prices of firewood will go up proportionately. The Guild has petitioned the Kwangtung Provincial Council and the Reconstruction Bureau to cancel the taxes in question.

A notification was issued by the Chung Shun Bankers' Guild on Monday that banknotes of the Central Bank are to be accepted at full face value.

Canton's coal imports between February 23th and March 8th, inclusive, were as follows:—

Kai Luan coal	1,987
Japanese coal	820
Coal of other foreign origins	2,048
Total amount	4,855

CANTON COTTON YARN MARKET.

A telegram of the 11th instant from Shanghai states that cotton yarn prices have risen one taol. The Canton market for the past two days has been active owing to demands by up country merchants. Prices have risen two to three dollars and are likely to go higher in the near future owing to shortage of stocks. Quotations on Monday were as follows:—

No. 6 Lion	\$202
Lion, No. 2	188
Hui Hou	193
No. 20 Sailing Vessel	263
Golden City	263
Peacock	264
Lotus and Bee	253
Double Lions	258
Five Lions	258
Yanchung	254
Tai Fat	261
Tak Lee	255
Excellent Crops	244
No. 12 Golden City	222
Peacock	250
Foo Kwai	251
Po Yee	251
Transcar	256
Pretty Damsel	256
Aeroplane	257
Tak Lee	257
No. 48 Globe	302
Foo Kwai	300
Coiling Dragon	300
No. 20 Golden City	332
Globe	325
Good Harvest	320
Fui Sing	320
Double Horses	320
Tin Koon	328
Double Elephants	321
Ng Fook	307
Yanchung	321
Tram-car	315
Shepherd	312
Po Yee	318
Three Stars	318
No. 32 Pagoda	472
Double Horses	468
Tin Koon	480
Pine Tree and Deer	498
Shrubs Hee	476
No. 42 Five Sons	580
Butterfly	578
Happiness	578

CANTON OIL MARKET.

The market for groundnut oil is firm and camellia-oil is improving. Both wood oil and bean oil are steady. Quotations at Monday's market were as follows:—

Groundnut Oil, Fong Tao	\$25.00
Groundnut Oil, Ching Hou	24.45
Camellia-nut Oil	20.60
Wood Oil	30.00
Bean Oil	18.50

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CANTON STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

CANTON, March 11th.	
Water Works	8 3/8
Electric Light & Power Co.	83
Canton-Hankow Railway	50.00
The Sun Company	102.00
Sincere Company	4.43
Nanyang Bros. Tob. Co.	2.80
China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company	60.00
Central Bank of China	45.03

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

MARCH 12TH, 1929.	
H.K. Banks	\$1,300 nom.
Do., London	\$137 1/2 div. nom.
Chartered Bank	\$215 buy.
Merchants Bank, A. & S.	\$254 nom.
Do.	\$254 nom.
P. & O. Banks	\$293 nom.
East Asia Bank	\$304 nom.
Canton Insurance	\$686 buy.
Union Insurance	\$338 sel.
North China Ins.	\$116 buy.
Yankee Insurance	\$450 nom.
China Underwriters	\$240 buy, 240 sel.
China Fire Insurance	\$250 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	\$130 nom.
Douglas	\$384 nom.
H.K. Steamboats	\$27 sel.
H.K. Tugs	\$1.95 buy, 2.10 sel, 2 a.
Indo-China (Frst.)	\$522 nom.
Do. (Def.)	\$52 nom.
Shell Transport	\$39.9 nom.
Union Waterboats	\$324 nom.
Singapore	\$2.70 buy.
Kailan Mining Admin.	\$76 nom.
Langkat (combined)	\$14 buy.
Do. (single)	\$14 buy.
Shan Exports	\$14 sel.
Shanghai Loans	\$14 sel.
Bauhe	\$7.10 buy, 7 1/2 sel.
Tromoh Mines	\$17.8 nom.
H.K. & W. Harb.	\$126 nom.
H.K. & W. Docks	\$404 nom.
China Providents	\$4.55 sel, 4.80 a.
Hongkong	\$163 nom.
New Engineering	\$14 nom.
Shanghai Docks	\$14 nom.
Bea Cottons	\$13.35 buy.
Oriental Cottons	\$14.2 nom.
S. hai Cottons (old)	\$14.70 nom.
Do. (new)	\$14.35 nom.
H.K. & S. Hotels	\$9.10 a.
H.K. Lands	\$63 buy, 63 1/2 a.
Shanghai Lands	\$169 buy.
Humphreys Estates	\$14 buy.
H.K. Realities	\$5.50 nom.
H.K. Tramways	\$161 sel.
Peak Tram (old)	\$11 sel.
Do. (new)	\$8.30 nom.
Star Ferris	\$58 nom.
China Light	\$121 buy.
H.K. Electric (old)	\$554 buy.
Do. (new)	\$544 buy.
Macao Electric	\$282 nom.
Sandakan Light	\$5 nom.
Telephones	\$7 buy, 7 1/2 sel.
China Buses	\$11 nom.
Singapore Tramways	\$116 nom.
Do. (Frst.)	\$16.6 buy, 17/3 sel, 2 div.
China Sugars	\$11 nom.
Malabar Sugars	\$30 buy.
Canton Ice	\$2 sel.
Cementa (combined)	\$9.10 nom.
Do. (old)	\$7.80 nom.
Do. (new)	\$1.30 nom.
H.K. Ropes	\$74 nom.
United Asiatics	\$5
Dairy Farms	\$20 sel.
Watsons	\$14 buy.
Der A. Wings	\$30 cts. buy.
Lane Crawford	\$2 sel.
Mackintosh	\$20 nom.
Sincere	\$104 buy.
Wm. Powells	\$3.55 nom.
H.K. Amusements	\$25 sel.
H.K. Construction	\$11 sel.
Shan Indus. C.B. Bonds	\$7 sel.
H.K. Govt. Loans	\$14.67 prem. buy.
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REMARKABLE CURE OF TYPHOID FEVER THROUGH POO ON CHINESE HERBS.

Under Physician's Treatment Two Weeks—Grew Worse—Doctors Insist Removing Boy to Hospital and Gave Very Little Hope of Recovery.

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"My boy Jenis was in bed suffering from fever and chills, he was treated by physicians for two weeks with what they called typhoid fever, he could not eat and had severe pains in the stomach; delirious, stomach was bloated; he was kept in ice packs and rubber ice mattress and attended by a trained nurse; he did not show any improvement but became worse so other doctors were called in for consultation. They all insisted on removing boy to the hospital and did not give much hope for his recovery.

"I was recommended and insisted upon by Mrs. De Lemos to try the POO ON CHINESE Herb Treatment, as she had been cured of a complication of diseases by them.

"I made up my mind to give the POO ON CHINESE HERBS a trial; after the first day's treatment the fever was very much reduced and he began to have an appetite and slept well at night.

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Stockton, and Modesto. She finally grew so bad that I had to keep her in a darkened room. I kept her under constant care in the darkened room for nearly two months. A friend then told me about the Herbalist, Yee Poo Lun, and the Poo On Chinese Herb Treatment. I had no faith in treatment of this kind, as I have tried so many kinds of treatments, and doctors in vain, but in desperation I decided to try the Poo On Chinese Herbs. At this time water was running from her eyes excessively. I gave her the Poo On Chinese Herbs, an ointment, and some wash. At the end of a week the matter running from the eyes stopped and almost at once a marked improvement took place. She continued to improve very fast and her eyes began to clear up. A short while after I started giving her the Poo On Herbs she was entirely cured from this disease and her eyes were back to normal so that she should see as good as ever. I am certainly thankful to the Herbs and the Herbalist and am positive that Poo On Herbs Absolutely cured my child's eyes.

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BALTIC PORTS.

Jaya, Manners, Mar. 18.
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BALTIMORE.

City of Dunkirk, Bank, Mar. 18.
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BANGKOK.

Cremer, J.C.J.L., Mar. 14.
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BOSTON.

City of Dunkirk, Bank, Mar. 18.
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BREMER.

Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
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BRINDISI.

Piave, Dodwell's, Mar. 23.
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CALCUTTA.

Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 13.
Hosang, Jardine's, Mar. 18.
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CEBU.

New York, States S.S., Mar. 20.
G'den M'tain, States S.S., Mar. 21.
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CHEFOO.

Kuingschow, B. & S., Mar. 23.
Huichow, B. & S., Mar. 31.

COLOMBO.

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Portos, M.M., Apr. 9.
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Awa Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 11.
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COPENHAGEN.

Jaya, Manners, Mar. 18.
Nippon, Gilman's, Mar. 19.
Australian, Manners, Apr. 4.
City of Khartoum, Bank, Apr. 8.

DALNY.

Burgenland, Jebson, Mar. 18.
Kiukiang, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Mar. 17.
Trave, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Afrika, Manners, Mar. 31.
Ruh, Jebson, Apr. 2.
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DUTCH PORTS.

Havenstein, Jebson, Mar. 15.
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FOOCHOW.

Shansi, B. & S., Mar. 13.
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GENOA.

Havenstein, Jebson, Mar. 15.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
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GLASGOW.

Keemun, Blue Funnel, Mar. 20th.
Patroclus, B.F., Mar. 20th.
City of Khios, Bank, Mar. 20.

GOTHENBURG.

Jaya, Manners, Mar. 18.
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HAYRE.

Jaya, Manners, Mar. 18.
Keemun, B.F., Mar. 20th.
Australian, Manners, Mar. 27.
Eurypylus, B.F., Apr. 20.

HONOLULU.

Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Mar. 20.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
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Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 3.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Apr. 9.

HULL.

Khiva, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Padua, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
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ILOILO.

New York, States S.S., Mar. 20.
G'den M'tain, States S.S., Mar. 21.
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Fokastuma Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 14.
Sumatra, Gilman's, Mar. 14.
Santhia, B.I., Mar. 15th.
Burgenland, Jebson, Mar. 18th.
Naldora, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Rosandra, Dodwell's, Mar. 18.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 18.
Fookang, Jardine's, Mar. 17.
Glenshiel, Jardine's, Mar. 17.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Mar. 17.
City of Delhi, Bank, Mar. 18.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 18.
Duchessa D'Aosta, Dwell, Mar. 18.
Kishu Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 19.
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 19.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., Mar. 19.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Mar. 20.
Matsunoto Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Santhia, P. & O., Mar. 21.
Toyo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 21.
Aki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22.
Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22.
Karmala, P. & O., Mar. 22nd.
Alipore, B.I., Mar. 23.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Yuensang, Jardine's, Mar. 23.
Lahore, P. & O., Mar. 25.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 25.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Mar. 26th.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Mar. 26.
Ajax, B.F., Mar. 27.
Koyei Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 27.
Esquillo, Dodwell's, Mar. 28.
Tilawa, B.I., Mar. 28th.
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Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Ermland, Jebson, Mar. 26.
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Portos, M.M., Apr. 9.
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Awa Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 11.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Apr. 21.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Apr. 23.

KANTO.

City of Khios, Bank, Mar. 23.
Malwa, P. & O., Mar. 30.
Washington, States S.S., Mar. 23.
KABUL.
Chronos, Dodwell's, Apr. 4.
Bremerhaven, Melchers, Apr. 10.
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Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 15.
SAIGON.
G. Metzinger, M.M., Mar. 23.
Portos, M.M., Apr. 9.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Apr. 23.
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Hosang, Jardine's, Mar. 19.
St. Albans, E. & A., Mar. 20.
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Pres. Madison, Dollar, Apr. 23.

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LONDON.

Khiva, P. & O., Mar. 18.
Padua, P. & O., Mar. 18.
Patroclus, B.F., Mar. 20.
Khyber, P. & O., Mar. 23.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
City of Khios, Bank, Mar. 23.
Malwa, P. & O., Mar. 30.
Mirapore, P. & O., Apr. 1.
Calchas, B.F., Apr. 2.
Glengarry, Jardine's, Apr. 3.
City of Khartoum, Bank, Apr. 13.
Leverkusen, Jebson, Apr. 5.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 6.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Apr. 10.
City of Khartoum, Bank, Apr. 13.

LOS ANGELES.

Golden Tide, States S.S., Mar. 14.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Mar. 26.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 3.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Apr. 9.
Pres. Madison, Dollar, Apr. 23.

MANILA.

Havenstein, Jebson, Mar. 15.
Khiva, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
Padua, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Patroclus, B.F., Mar. 20th.
Piave, Dodwell's, Mar. 23.
Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Khyber, P. & O., Mar. 23.
Mirapore, P. & O., Mar. 23rd.
Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Ermland, Jebson, Mar. 26.
G. Metzinger, M.M., Mar. 26.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Malwa, P. & O., Mar. 30.
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 31.
Mirapore, P. & O., Apr. 1.
Viminale, Dodwell's, Apr. 2.
Glengarry, Jardine's, Apr. 3.
Leverkusen, Jebson, Apr. 5.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 6.
Portos, M.M., Apr. 9.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Apr. 10.
Awa Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 11.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Apr. 21.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Apr. 23.

MANTUA.

Havenstein, Jebson, Mar. 15.
Taiping, B. & S., Mar. 15th.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Mar. 19.
City of Dunkirk, Bank, Mar. 19.
New York, States S.S., Mar. 20.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
G'den M'tain, States S.S., Mar. 21.
City of Guildford, Bank, Mar. 22.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Ermland, Jebson, Mar. 26.
Pres. Grant, Dollar, Mar. 26.
City of Khios, Bank, Mar. 23.
Emp. of France, C.P.S., Mar. 29.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Mar. 30.
Texas, States S.S., Mar. 3.
G'den Dragon, States S.S., Apr. 5.
Leverkusen, Jebson, Apr. 5.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 7.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, Apr. 9.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Apr. 10.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Apr. 21.

MARSEILLES.

Havenstein, Jebson, Mar. 15.
Khiva, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
Jaya, Manners, Mar. 18.
Padua, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Nippon, Gilman's, Mar. 19.
Patroclus, B.F., Mar. 20th.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Khyber, P. & O., Mar. 23rd.
Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Ermland, Jebson, Mar. 26.
G. Metzinger, M.M., Mar. 26.
Malwa, P. & O., Mar. 30th.
Mirapore, P. & O., Apr. 1.
Calchas, B.F., Apr. 2.
Leverkusen, Jebson, Apr. 3.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 7.
Portos, M.M., Apr. 9.
Antenor, B.F., Apr. 17.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Apr. 21.
Desau, Melchers, Apr. 22.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Apr. 23.

NAPLES.

Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 7.

NEW YORK, BOSTON, etc.

City of Dunkirk, Bank, Mar. 19.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Mar. 19.
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 19.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Mayebashi Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Nairnbank, Bank, Apr. 2.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 7.
Malayan Prince, Furness, Apr. 14.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Apr. 21.

NORTH CHINA.

Burgenland, Jebson, Mar. 18.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Mar. 17.
Thiaroom, J.C.J.L., Mar. 23.
Trave, Melchers, Mar. 23.

ORAN.

Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Apr. 10.
Desau, Melchers, Apr. 22.

OSLO.

Nippon, Gilman's, Mar. 19.

PANAMA.

Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 19.
Mayebashi Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.

PEKING.

Cremer, J.C.J.L., Mar. 14.
Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 15.
Hosang, Jardine's, Mar. 18.
Khiva, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
Jaya, Manners, Mar. 18.
Katsang, Jardine's, Mar. 18.
Khyber, P. & O., Mar. 23.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 31.
Glengarry, Jardine's, Apr. 3.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 7.

PLYMOUTH.

City of Khios, Bank, Mar. 23.
Malwa, P. & O., Mar. 30.

PORTLAND.

Washington, States S.S., Mar. 23.
KABUL.
Chronos, Dodwell's, Apr. 4.
Bremerhaven, Melchers, Apr. 10.

RANGOON.

Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 15.
SAIGON.
G. Metzinger, M.M., Mar. 23.
Portos, M.M., Apr. 9.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Apr. 23.

SANDAKAN.

Hosang, Jardine's, Mar. 19.
St. Albans, E. & A., Mar. 20.
Chronos, Dodwell's, Apr. 4.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Washington, States S.S., Mar. 19.
Tuketo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 19.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Golden Tide, States S.S., Mar. 23.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Mar. 26.
Cray Harbor, States S.S., Mar. 30.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 3.
Rakyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Apr. 9.
Pres. Madison, Dollar, Apr. 23.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
Keemun, B.F., Mar. 20th.

SEATTLE.

Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., Mar. 19.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 25.
Grays Harbor, States S.S., Mar. 30.
Protolius, B.F., Mar. 30.
Yokohama Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 8.

SHANGHAI.

Hosang, Jardine's, Mar. 13.
Sumatra, Gilman's, Mar. 14.
Yunnan, B. & S., Mar. 15.
Africa, Manners, Mar. 15.
Naldora, P. & O., Mar. 18.
Burgenland, Jebson, Mar. 18.
Lushan Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 18.
Rosandra, Dodwell's, Mar. 18.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 18.
Glenshiel, Jardine's, Mar. 17.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Mar. 17.

SHANGHAI—(Continued).

Kiukiang, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Suiyang, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Yatsing, Jardine's, Mar. 17.
City of Delhi, Bank, Mar. 18.
Duchessa D'Aosta, Dwell, Mar. 19.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., Mar. 19.
Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 19.
Shantung, B. & S., Mar. 19.
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 19.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Mar. 20.
Matsunoto Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Chakrang, Jardine's, Mar. 20.
Aki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 21.
Santhia, P. & O., Mar. 21.
Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 21.
Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 21.
Hakata Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22.
Karmala, P. & O., Mar. 22.
Tijsondori, J.C.J.L., Mar. 22.
Alipore, B.I., Mar. 22.
Sunning, B. & S., Mar. 24.
Formosa, Gilman's, Mar. 24.
Lahore, P. & O., Mar. 25.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 25.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Mar. 26.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Mar. 26.
Koyei Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 27.
Kwangang, Jardine's, Mar. 27.
Esquillo, Dodwell's, Mar. 28.
Tilawa, B.I., Mar. 28.
Trave, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Mantua, P. & O., Mar. 29.
Formosa, Gilman's, Mar. 30.
Sungshan Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 30.
Africa, Manners, Mar. 31.
Ruh, Jebson, Apr. 1.
Pres. Grant, Dollar, Apr. 2.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 3.
Yokohama Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 8.
Alipore, B.I., Apr. 8.
Emp. of France, C.P.S., Apr. 10.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 10.
Jeyppore, P. & O., Apr. 11.
Coblentz, Melchers, Apr. 12.
Kalyan, P. & O., Apr. 12.
Glengab, Jardine's, Apr. 13.

SINGAPORE.

Cremer, J.C.J.L., Mar. 14.
Havenstein, Jebson, Mar. 15.
Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 15.
Hosang, Jardine's, Mar. 18.
Khiva, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Antung, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Kuingschow, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
Jaya, Manners, Mar. 18.
Katsang, Jardine's, Mar. 18.
Khyber, P. & O., Mar. 23.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Ermland, Jebson, Mar. 26.
G. Metzinger, M.M., Mar. 26.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 31.
Glengarry, Jardine's, Apr. 3.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 7.

SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

Kanagawa Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
Tinhow, Bank, Apr. 15.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

Rakyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
Kanagawa Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.

SWATOW.

Hosang, Jardine's, Mar. 13.
Lushan Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 18.
Antung, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Haining, Douglas, Mar. 17.
Kuying, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Suiyang, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Yatsing, Jardine's, Mar. 17.
Kingyuan, B. & S., Mar. 19.
Chakrang, Jardine's, Mar. 20.
Sunning, B. & S., Mar. 24.
Kwangang, Jardine's, Mar. 27.
Sungshan Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 30.

TAKAO.

Burgenland, Jebson, Mar. 18.
Ruh, Jebson, Apr. 1.

TIENTSIN.

Chipsing, Jardine's, Mar. 14.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Mar. 17.
Kueichow, B. & S., Mar. 23.
Trave, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Huichow, B. & S., Mar. 31.
Coblentz, Melchers, Apr. 12.

TRIESTE AND VENICE.

Piave, Dodwell's, Mar. 23.
Viminale, Dodwell's, Apr. 2.

TSINGTAO.

Hosang, Jardine's, Mar. 13.
Burgenland, Jebson, Mar. 18.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Mar. 17.
Suiyang, B. & S., Mar. 17.<

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NEWCHANG	"HUPER" On 17th Mar.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KAYING" On 17th Mar.	Noon
AMOI, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK	"KIUNGCHOW" On 17th Mar.	8 p.m.
HAIKONG, HONGKONG & BANGKOK	"TEAN" On 19th Mar.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KINGYUAN" On 19th Mar.	8 a.m.
HONGKONG & SINGAPORE	"KIANGSU" On 19th Mar.	10 a.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SHANTUNG" On 19th Mar.	5 p.m.
WUHAIR, CHIAO & TIENTSIN	"KIUKIANG" On 23rd Mar.	4 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"RUNNING" On 24th Mar.	8 a.m.
WUHAIR, CHIAO & TIENTSIN	"HUICOW" On 31st Mar.	6 a.m.

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ATHOS II ... 7th May	SEINK ... 7th May
DARTAGNAN ... 21st May	ANGKOR ... 21st May
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Wladivostok	12	29.91	759.6	20	NE	4	b	6	29.54	750.4	23	SE	5	o							
Nemuro	11	29.72	758.0		SE	1	...	5	29.57	751.0		NNW	1	...							
Hokodate		29.70	754.5		WNW	3	...	...	29.63	752.3		NNW	1	...							
Tokio		29.70	754.5		SSE	1	...	...	19.80	757.0		N	...	...					
Kobe		29.54	758.0		W	1	...	...	30.02	762.0		NNW	1	...							
Nagasaki		30.06	763.5		NNW	5	...	...	30.10	764.3		NNW	1	...							
Kagoshima		30.14	765.5		N	2	...	...	30.06	763.3		NNW	1	...							
Oshima		30.18	765.5		NNW	4	...	...	30.10	764.3		NNW	1	...							
Naha		30.18	765.5		NNW	4	...	...	30.14	765.5		NNW	1	...							
Ishigakijima		30.20	767.0		SW	4	...	...	29.92	760.0		NNW	1	...							
Bonin Island		29.98	761.3		WNW	8	L	6	29.84	758.0		NNW	1	...							
Chefoo	17	30.84	770.6	88	100	WNW	4	b	30.25	763.3	23	88	NE	1	b						
Shanghai	14	30.49	774.3	44	60	NNW	7	b	30.30	769.6	36	54	WSW	2	b						
Gutai		30.45	774.2	44	60	NNW	7	b	30.23	767.3	47	91	NW	1	b						
Sharp Peak		30.25	767.8	50	75	ENE	6	b	30.20	767.1	54	88	NE	2	c						
Amoy		30.23	767.8	50	75	ENE	6	b	30.19	766.8	64	76	E	2	c						
Swatow	11	30.37	769.8	63	73	ENE	4	b	30.13	765.3	48	...	...	...	...		
Taihekou		30.20	767.1	66	...	NNW	4	b	30.12	765.0	50	...	...	...	...		
Taihu		30.18	766.5	73	...	N	4	b	30.07	763.8	63	...	...	...	...		
Tainan		30.14	765.5	77	...	NNW	6	b	30.13	765.3	55	...	...	...	...		
Koshun		30.24	768.0	63	...	NNW	6	b	30.20	767.1	59	...	...	...	...		
Pescadore	14	30.17	766.3	67	61	E	5	b	30.16	765.0	...	...	...	...	...	
Hong Kong		30.18	766.6	...	...	ENE	5	b	30.13	765.9	52	69	ENE	4	o						
Gap Rock		30.15	765.9	73	44	NE	4	b	30.09	764.3	66	84	NNE	6	o						
Macao		30.13	765.3	73	71	NE	6	b	30.12	764.5	67	89	ENE	4	b						
Hoihow		30.14	765.6	79	85	ESE	2	...	30.06	763.5	68	...	...	...	...		
Pratas Island		30.10	764.4	72	...	ENE	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Phulio	15	30.06	763.5	73	71	NE	4	...	30.05	763.2	68	73	ENE	2	...						
Tourane		30.00	762.0	75	79	NE	4	...	30.00	762.0	70	83	ENE	4	...						
Cape St. James		29.98	761.4	84	88	S	6	...	29.88	760.0	77	96	E	2	...						
Basco	14	29.91	759.6	82	70	WNW	4	...	29.89	759.3	70	83	E	1	...						
Aparr		29.89	759.3	86	65	SV	4	...	29.89	759.3	75	96	NNE	2	...						
Tuguegarao		29.89	759.3	86	65	SV	4	...	29.88	758.7	75	92	NW	2	...						
Vigan		29.89	759.3	86	65	SV	4	...	29.87	758.7	75	92	NW	2	...						
Manila		29.89	759.3	86	65	SV	4	...	29.86	758.4	75	98	NE	4	...						
Legaspi		29.89	759.3	86	65	SV	4	...	29.87	758.7	75	92	NW	2	...						
Calbayog		29.89	759.3	86	65	SV	4	...	29.87	758.7	75	92	NW	2	...						
Tacloban		29.89	759.3	86	65	SV	4	...	29.87	758.7	75	92	NW	2	...						
Iloilo		29.89	759.3	86	65	SV	4	...	29.87	758.7	75	92	NW	2	...						
Cebu		29.89	759.3	86	65	SV	4	...	29.87	758.7	75	92	NW	2	...						
Sungao		29.89	759.3	86	65	SV	4	...	29.87	758.7	75	92	NW	2	...						
Salpan	12.22	29.82	757.5	...	...	ENE	4	...	29.85	758.1	...	...	...	...	...	
Guam	11.00	29.82	757.5	...	...	ENE	4	...	29.85	758.1	...	...	...	...	...	
Yap		29.82	757.5	...	...	ENE	4	...	29.85	758.1	...	...	...	...	...	
Palau		29.82	757.5	...	...	ENE	4	...	29.85	758.1	...	...	...	...	...	
Ponape		29.82	757.5	...	...	ENE	4	...	29.85	758.1	...	...	...	...	...	
Labuan	14	29.82	757.4	86	88	NE	2	b	29.84	757.9	76	91	NE	2							

March 12d. 11h. 12m.—The anticyclone has weakened and is now central over the lower Yangtze Valley.

Moderate monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and fresh monsoon over the China Sea.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 1.81 inches, against an average of 3.94 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON THE 18th.

DISTRICT.

- 1.—Formosa Channel
- 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamochs
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock
- 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan

N.E. winds, moderate; fine to cloudy.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, Mar. 13th.

Previous Day	On Date	On Date
at 2 p.m.	at 8 a.m.	at 2 p.m.
Barometer ... 30.17	30.20	30.09
Temperature ... 67	63	69
Humidity ... 61	60	69
Wind ... E	Calm	E
Direction ... E	Calm	E
Force ... 2	0	2
Weather ... B	C	B
Rain ... 0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 11th: 70

Lowest open-air Temperature, 12th: 63

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; E=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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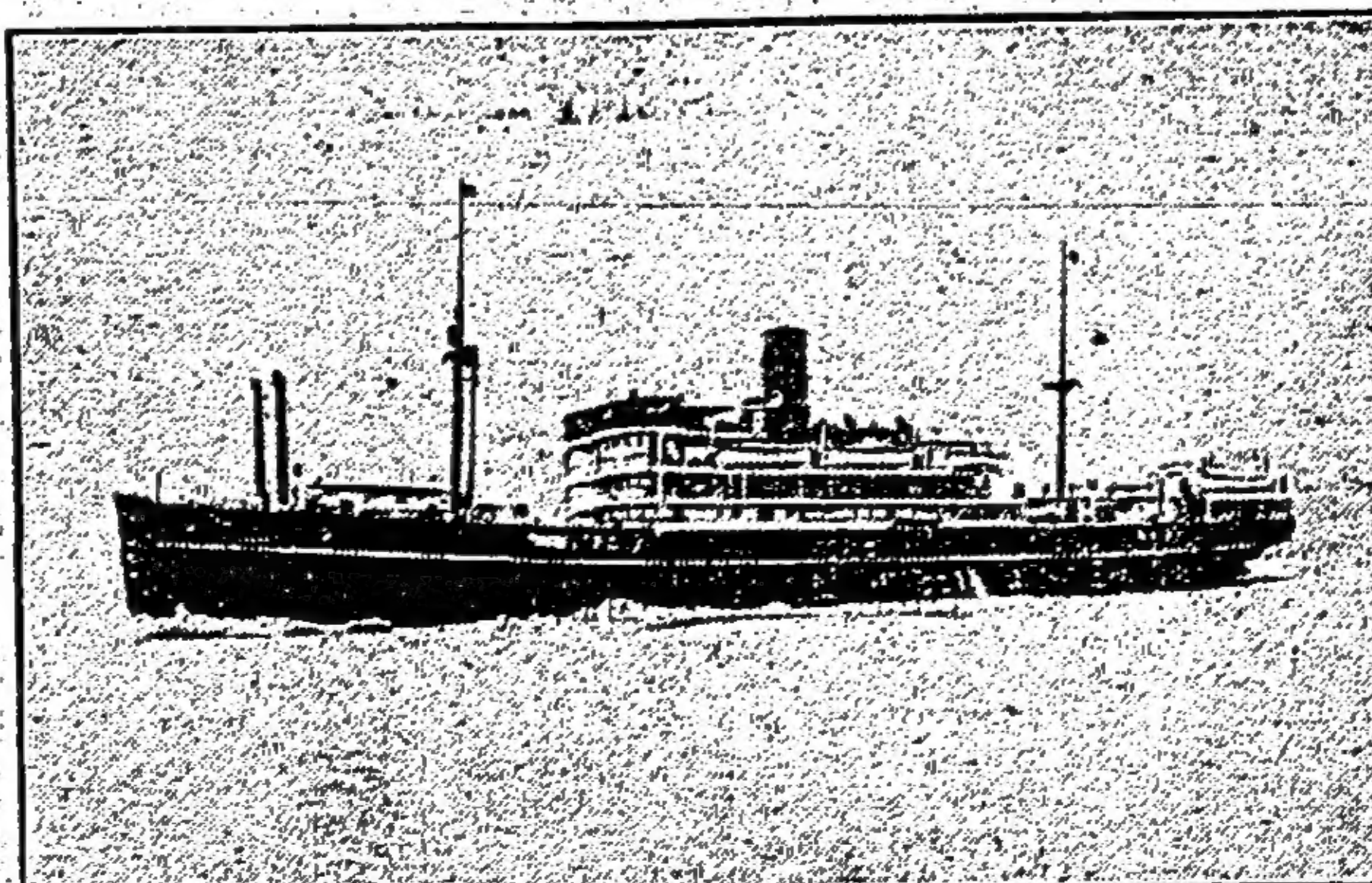
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STEAMERS	Hong Kong	Shanghai	Kobe	Yokohama	Vancouver
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Mar. 20	Mar. 23	Mar. 28	Mar. 28	Apr. 6
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Apr. 10	Apr. 13	Apr. 18	Apr. 18	Apr. 27
EMPERESS OF ASIA	May 1	May 4	May 9	May 9	May 18
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	May 15	May 18	May 23	May 23	June 1
EMPERESS OF ASIA	June 5	June 8	June 13	June 13	June 22
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	June 19	June 22	June 27	June 27	July 6
EMPERESS OF ASIA	July 3	July 6	July 11	July 11	July 20
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	July 17	July 20	July 25	July 25	Aug 4
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Aug 10	Aug 13	Aug 18	Aug 18	Aug 27
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Aug 24	Aug 27	Sept 1	Sept 1	Sept 10
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Sept 7	Sept 10	Sept 15	Sept 15	Sept 24

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SADU MARU ... Sunday, 17th Mar.

TOTTORI MARU ... Thursday, 28th Mar.

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RAKUYO MARU ... Friday, 19th Apr.

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Town & Ports.

KANAGAWA MARU ... Friday, 5th Apr.

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TAKETOYO MARU ... Tuesday, 19th Mar.

MAYEASHI MARU ... Thursday, 28th Mar.

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NAKTAO MARU ... Friday, 22nd Mar.

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Shipping News

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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS, 16,640 TONS;
THROUGH CARGO
10,000 TONS.

During the 24 hours ended at 2
a.m. yesterday the general returns
shown at the Harbour Office of
cargoes carried by vessels arriving
in Hong Kong were as follows:—

British	Cargo for	Through
Yunnan	Shanghai 625	530
Hin Sang	Sandakan 3,939	—
Borneo	Saigon 2,250	—
		8,814 — 530

American
Pres. McKinley, U.S.A. 1,033 3,943

Dutch
Tjikarang, Shanghai 1,525 690

Italian
Remo, Yokohama 1,155 3,300

Japanese
Taiyo Maru, U.S.A. 708

Shojun Maru, Japan 3,689

Shidzoku Maru, Seattle 1,589

Chinese
Shui Hing, Macao 40

Total 16,641 10,463

Arrivals and Departures.

The arrivals and departures during
the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	5	3
American	1	1
Dutch	1	0
Italian	1	0
Japanese	3	3
Chinese	2	2
Danish	0	1
French	0	1
Total	13	11

CLEARANCES.

March 12th.

Andre Lebon, for Saigon.
Heiching, for Swatow.
Hop Sang, for Swatow.
Kittawa, for Singapore.
Limchow, for Hoibow.
Lyemoon, for Saigon.
President McKinley, for Manila.
Remo, for Saigon.
Tai Poo Sek, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Tjikarang, for Muntok.
Tjikini, for Manila.
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S.S. CHUSAN GOES TO DOCK.

The s.s. Chusan, British, arrived
from Canton in ballast and entered
the Taikoo Docks for her overhaul
and refit. The s.s. Sunning also
arrived from Canton in ballast.

Reports of Rough Seas.

Vessels arriving from the South
report having encountered very bad
weather. The s.s. Hsin Foo Sing
(Chinese) from Saigon met with
very rough seas and her decks were
continually awash. The s.s. Remo
(British) which arrived yesterday
encountered a N.E. gale and very
rough sea. A similar report is
made by the master of the s.s. Hin
Sang (British) from Sandakan.

Adatto Deck Passengers.

The following vessels brought
Adatto deck passengers to the
Colony during the 24 hours ended
at 9 a.m. yesterday.

Hin Sang (British) Sanda-	30
Borneo (British) Saigon	107
Tjikarang (Dutch) Shanghai,	373
Remo (Italian) Yokohama and	10
Shanghai	—
Taiyo Maru (Japanese) Los	57
Shojun Maru, Japan	86
Tak Hing (Autou) Autou	—
Total	683

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OTHER SAILINGS:—	SHANGHAI, ETC.	COPENHAGEN, ETC.
M.V. "Australian" ...	27th March	27th March
M.V. "Chile" ...	8th Mar.	18th April
M.S. "Africa" ...	31st Mar.	18th May
M.V. "Malaya" ...	16th Apr.	27th May
M.S. "Siam" ...	22nd May	2nd July

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"CITY OF DELHI" London, Rotterdam, Amsterdam & Hamburg ... 9th May

"CITY OF GLASGOW" London, Rotterdam, Amsterdam & Hamburg ... 10th June

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"KHIVA"	9,135	18th Mar.	Noc...
"KHYBER"	9,114	23rd Mar.	Marseilles, London and Hull
"PADUA"	9,807	30th Mar.	Marseilles, London and Hull
"MALWA"	10,950	30th Mar.	Marseilles & London. Hamburg
"MIZAPUR"	9,715	1st Apr.	Straits, Colombo and Bombay
"VALDEIRA"	10,088	10th Apr.	S'hai, Man. & London
"KARMALA"	9,128	20th Apr.	Marseilles and London
"MANTUA"	10,945	27th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"NAGPORE"	9,833	4th May	Mars., L'don, A'werp, B'm, H'bug
"KALYAN"	9,144	11th May	Marseilles, London and Hull
"MOBEA"	10,953	20th May	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"LAHORE"	9,258	1st June	Mars., L'don, A'werp, B'm, H'bug
"DELTA"	9,087	5th June	Marseilles and London
"JEPPORE"	9,315	15th June	Mars., L'don, A'werp, B'm, H'bug
"RAJPUTANA"	10,958	22nd June	Bombay, Marseilles & London
"KASHMIR"	9,005	8th July	Marseilles and London
"KALYAN"	10,901	30th July	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KHYBER"	9,114	3rd Aug.	Marseilles and London
"MALWA"	10,980	17th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KARMALA"	9,128	31st Aug.	Marseilles and London
"MOBEA"	10,953	14th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"MANTUA"	10,945	20th Sept.	Marseilles and London
"KASHMIR"	9,005	12th Oct.	Marseilles and London
"KALYAN"	9,144	26th Oct.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"MALEDONIA"	11,180	9th Nov.	Marseilles and London
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"SANTHA"	7,754	17th Apr.	do.
"TILAWA"	10,008	23rd Apr.	do.
"TAKLWA"	9,958	30th Apr.	do.
"TAKADA"	9,949	1st May	do.
"TALAMBA"	9,018	17th May	do.

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"RAJPUTANA"	6,000	3rd May	Island, Townsville, Brisbane
"TANTA"	6,966	31st May	Sydney and Melbourne.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	5th July	do.
"RAJPUTANA"	6,000	2nd Aug.	do.

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"NALDERA"	16,068	16th Mar.	6 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"SANTHA"	7,754	31st Mar.		Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka
"KARMALA"	9,128	22nd Mar.		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"ALPOHMA"	8,892	23rd Mar.		Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"LAHORE"	5,568	25th Mar.		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"MANTUA"	10,924	29th Mar.		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"MACADORE"	5,324	30th Mar.		Moji & Kobe
"TILWA"	10,008	31st Mar.		Amoy, Shai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"TAKLIWA"	7,536	31st Mar.		Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka
"ARAFURA"	6,480	9th Apr.		Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
"TAKADA"	6,944	10th Apr.		Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"JEYPORE"	5,318	11th Apr.		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KAIYAN"	9,144	12th Apr.		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"MORBA"	10,832	20th Apr.		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KANDA"	6,856	7th May		Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
"EKRA"	7,648	9th May		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"DELTA"	8,092	14th May		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASPUTANA"	15,664	24th May		Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th June		Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
"KESHEGAR"	9,005	7th June		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"RANPURA"	9,610	21st June		Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"KHYBER"	11,814	8th July		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"AMAFURA"	5,000	9th July		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"MALWA"	10,416	13th July		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KAMALA"	9,128	1st Aug.		do.
"MORBA"	10,353	15th Aug.		do.
"KASHMIR"	8,568	25th Aug.		do.
"MANTUA"	10,942	12th Sept.		Shanghai.
"KAIYAN"	9,144	26th Sept.		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	1st Oct.		Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASHGAR"	9,005	25th Oct.		do.

